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EDITORIAL

IT IS LATER THAN YOU THINK!

Men of the old YD necessarily have divisions of opinion as to what this country should do in the present crisis since we represent an average cross section of "The Great Melting Pot".

Some favor all-out aid to England with the use of the Army and Navy as a natural consequence; others accept the delivery of material to Great Britain without the use of our armed forces as the logical solution of our problem; still others insist on isolation.

There is no division of opinion among us, however, as to the absolute necessity of a national defense plan which will enable us to meet the onslaught of Jerry, if and when it comes. And despite arguments for and against, even the most unthinking must agree that we as Americans are confronted with a situation more deadly and more dangerous than any since 1775.

Every man who wore the YD in 1917-18 has a definite duty to perform today. He should endeavor to convince, with every bit of eloquence at his command, those among our civilian population who fail to appreciate that national unity must and will be secured at any cost and that our greatest danger lies within our body politic.

It is later than you think. This is no time for partisan politics or for any other thought than that the President of the United States needs the loyalty of every man, woman and child. As our Commander-in-Chief, he should get it — must get it!

We have the material; we have production equipment second to none in the world, but we must have a singleness of purpose to see this thing through and assure ourselves a nation able and ready to defend itself against all aggressors.

Someone once said that the sum of the whole is greater than the sum of the parts and this was never better exemplified than in this year of our Lord 1941. 131,000,000 people working together in unity will accomplish immeasurably more than that same group working just as hard individually.

22nd National Convention One of best says gang!

Manchester, Queen City of old New Hampshire, welcomed the old YD with open arms as the boys streamed in from all points of the compass for the 22nd National Convention. It was the first time that our National Convention was held here but judging from the splendid reception we received it will not be the last.

Now that the convention is over, the thing which stands out to the exclusion of everything else seems to be the friendliness of Manchester and its people. From the Governor down, there were tangible indications that the boys in French Blue were something more important than just "another convention". The comment of a spectator of the parade to his wife that we overheard tells the story best of all. "Those fellows never open their mouths about what they did for the U. S. They don't have to!"

For the citizens of Manchester the big parade was, of course, the high light of our four-day stay, with the Horribles Parade a close second. 6,000 were in a line over 2½ miles long on Saturday afternoon, and for nearly two hours a crowd estimated by the police to number over 40,000 cheered each unit as it went by.

Governor Robert O. Blood, DSC, marched at the head of the parade as far as the stand and then reviewed the old YD. At the conclusion of the parade about 2000 moved to the Athletic Field to witness the Drum Corps compete. There were seven units from New England States that fought it out to a close finish but when the dust died down first prize of $200 went to The Witch City Drum and Bugle Corps of Salem, Mass., 98 points; YD Juniors of Boston placed second with 96.5; Sacred Heart Crusaders of Malden, Mass., 96.5; Junior Corps of Hartford, Conn., 94.3; Franklin Jr. Corps, 92.9; Keene Jr. Catholic Daughters, 92.5; and the Fife and Drum Corps of New London, Conn., 91.6. In YD closed competition the YD Juniors of Boston placed first again for the eleventh consecutive year. Are they good? They are!

Getting back to the parade again, the post of honor was that of Manchester's police chief James O'Neil, himself a veteran and among the 27 department members next in line, all of them veterans too, could be seen four in YD blue. Brig. Gen. Charles F. Bowen headed the general parade staff with Gov. Blood and the president of the Convention Corporation John W. Dunlap next in line. Three platoons from the Manchester U. S. Air Base were in line, commanded by Maj. Robt. Culbertson and men of the 22nd Coast Artillery, fixed bayonets gleaming in the sunshine, were an inspiring sight.

It would take every page in this issue to list every unit in one of the best YD parades ever staged, and it would take the wisdom of Solomon to indicate the outstanding features of each so we wont even try. The YD Juniors, naturally enough, have first place in our hearts, but the color, the spirit and the precision marching of guest organizations made a good parade a GREAT parade.

It wouldn't have been a success if the new YD hadn't been there but they were, 454 of them from the 102nd F.A., Camp Edwards, and with them was a full complement of field pieces that took us back along the years, the faithful, old soixante-quinze. The new YD calls them 75's, but they're still three-inch machine guns to our old batteries.

To the average spectator the Marine Corps unit from Portsmouth Navy Yard was another colorful sight as they came into view, wearing their olive-drab field uniform. To the veteran however, it meant something else again. In the last World War there was plenty of glory for all outfits and no old soldier on the sidelines failed to recall what the Marines gave Jerry at the Marne, with no quarter asked or given.

We suppose the convention headquarters, The Carpenter Hotel, has settled down on its foundation by this time, but she sure did rock for four days. Some one thoughtfully moved all of the furniture out of the lobby and the many YD men who attended staged reunions day and night, forerunners of the regularly scheduled ones. At the Carpenter the 101st San. Train and the 104th Infantry Regiment held banquets, Am. Legion Post No. 2 was swamped with members of the 103rd Regiment, the 101st Engineers could be heard in Kansas City as they piled into Odd Fellows Hall, the 101st and 102nd Infantry were distinctly heard as far west as Denver at Lees, and no doubt Springfield Chapter who met at the same place added considerably to the noise. The Hartford, Conn. Chapter which held forth at The Elms were a nice quiet bunch. The only report we get is from Baltimore, who wanted to know who the tenor was who sang, "God Bless America" four hundred times.

Convention Hi-lites

The indescribable kick you got when you met an old buddy who hasn't shown up to a convention for twenty years.

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The courtesy and consideration shown the wives and daughters of comrades by everyone in YD blue.

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Young Newt Courtney, age four, who attracted so much attention in his smart uniform.

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The hilarity all over Manchester the night before the parade and the comparative soberness of 99% of the fellows.

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The good-natured grin on the face of our Past National Commander Austin Appleby who little knew that in a few short hours he would be in a nearly fatal automobile accident.

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The pained expression of Cowboy Jim Sullivan, Past National Sergeant at Arms, who was under doctor's orders to stick to water because of the bath-tub-bounce he took in Washington.

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The thoughts that ran through your editor's mind when he was informed at five minutes' notice that he was going on the air for a half hour and with nothing prepared! And the loyal spirit and sympathy of Lt. Col. Forrest Drury who pulled me through that ghastly thirty minutes.

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The meeting of the Erikson clan at the Hotel Rice Varrick when one from Marlboro, Mass., and one from Waterville, Maine engaged in a heated dispute as to whether it should be "Sen" or "Son."

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The grand feeling that the convention committee must have today when they reflect that they put over one of the smoothest, best, and most successful conventions in our history.

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The thoughts that ran through the minds of all of us when we saw the splendid, alert, youthful Junior YD boys and girls go by.

Thousands Howl As "Horribles" Perform

"More people turned out to watch the antics of the YD Horribles than were present at the famous NRA Parade of 1933", stated the Manchester, N. H. newspapers and since that date is evidently a milestone in Manchester parade history we can safely assume that our own "Horribles" established a new record.

A crowd variously estimated at from 25 to 38 thousand grinning spectators actually wet their — lips as each new unit came prancing down the main stem. This parade was the signal to take the ropes off, in fact plenty of the boys took off everything but their shorts and to say they were a howl is a masterpiece of understatement.

A tremendous snake with a Hitler head wound from side to side with thirty or forty Apremont Chapter members furnishing the legs, was one of the high lights. They won first prize of $100 by the way.

A caricature of Cowboy Jim Sullivan, P. N. S.-at-A., concocted by two of the boys from Haverhill, Mass., got plenty of laughs and our own "Ladies from Hell" because that's just what they looked like, had everyone in stitches. Picture 200 pounds of hairy masculinity, put a silk pair of pants and a nipple girdle on, and you have a faint, a very faint idea of the spectacle. Add to this various queer movements of what is vulgarly called "The Fanny" and some jungle bird-calls that poured out of their ruby red lips and you've got something but we're not sure just what.

Prizes were as follows: Marching Groups — Apremont Chapter first, $100; Epieds Chapter second, $75; Springfield Chapter placed third, $25.

Musical Groups — Springfield, Mass. Drum Corps first, $100; Manchester Legion Post No. 2 was second, $50; and the V.F.W. of Manchester, N. H. was third, $25.

Individuals — Haverhill, Mass. Chapter placed first, $10.

What a parade! ! !

GET YOUR COPY IN FOR SEPTEMBER DOINGS BY AUG. 31st, PLEASE

If it's double-spaced, Chapter name at the top and signed at the bottom it will help a lot.

103rd Amb. Men. Know Them?

Past NC Austin F. Appleby Answers "Present"

Comrades:

In giving you this report for the year, I feel that I should give the highlights. We started at the close of the Convention in Boston, June 10th to fulfill the mandates given at that time.

First, the raising of $2000 for the purchase of an ambulance for France. The drive progressed very rapidly, but as you all know, not in time to send to France with the result that all moneys collected were returned to the donors where requested, the balance, $400, was turned over to Gen. DeGaulle, leader of the Free French Army.

The instructions given with all the resolutions passed were also carried out, copies being sent to all interested parties of the Senate and House and the President of the United States.

We also endorsed the bill for Combat Veterans sponsored by the Rainbow Division Veterans Ass'n., a bill intended to aid all Veterans of Combat Divisions in establishing claims for compensation.

On November 8, our Association suffered the loss of the greatest worker for Y.D.V.A., our National Secretary, Phil N. Sanborn. I need not go into a long eulogy about Phil, for you all know what he has done over the years. (And, at this time, I am going to ask all to stand for 30 seconds in tribute to his memory.)

Since Phil's passing, Guy Watts has carried on the routine of National Headquarters and has done a swell job, in addition to his thousand and one other tasks.

Editing of our magazine "Yankee Doings" has been ably handled by Alfred V. Jules, better known as "Hap". A member of Minute Man Chapter, Concord, Mass., who is an editor by profession and who is doing a grand job. Our Association is, indeed, fortunate in more ways than one to be able to have "Hap" doing this job for us. He has dressed "Yankee Doings" up and is trying to give you members what you want, so give him a lift and send any pictures, stories, old or new, that you feel might be of interest to the rest of us.

I am more than pleased to be able to report that all State Departments are now functioning, with a full set of officers, instead of just a Department Commander as was the case in previous years.

New departments were formed in Vermont and Maine; New Hampshire re-organized and are working on all cylinders. I look for a big growth in Y.D.V.A. through these departments in the coming year.

Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island departments hold regular meetings as do most of the chapters, hence, the reason for a successful year. But don't let me talk you fellows into a contented slumber, for there is still plenty of work to be done in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Western Mass., so get busy you Department officers and keep plugging.

Our organization is growing year by year and it is only through the co-operative efforts of every one of us that this is possible. As our organization grows, more and more time is demanded of your National Commander. In this past year, I have travelled 17,602 miles, have made 117 visitations and have represented the Y.D.V.A. at 16 different outside activities. You figure out the average, I can't.

In closing, I want to take just a moment longer to publicly thank all the National Officers who have assisted me the past year and, especially, to Secretary Guy Watts, Editor "Hap" Jules, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Errol Emery and National Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Sullivan. Orchids to you Four Horsemen, without all of you my task would have been much harder and I would not have been able to accomplish as much.

I believe at this time we should all give a rising vote of thanks to the Manchester Convention Committee who have worked so hard and diligently to give us what we all agree has been one of the finest conventions we have ever had.

We also want to express our sincere appreciation for the splendid cooperation given to the Convention Committee by the State Officials, City Officials, newspaper and radio, the Chamber of Commerce, and also the merchants of Manchester.

It has been an honor and a privilege to have been your National Commander and again let me thank each and every one of you for that honor and for your wholehearted co-operation during this past year. Give as much and more, if possible, to your new National Commander and we shall continue to grow and prosper, so, let's all "Carry On". — AUSTIN F. APPLEBY,

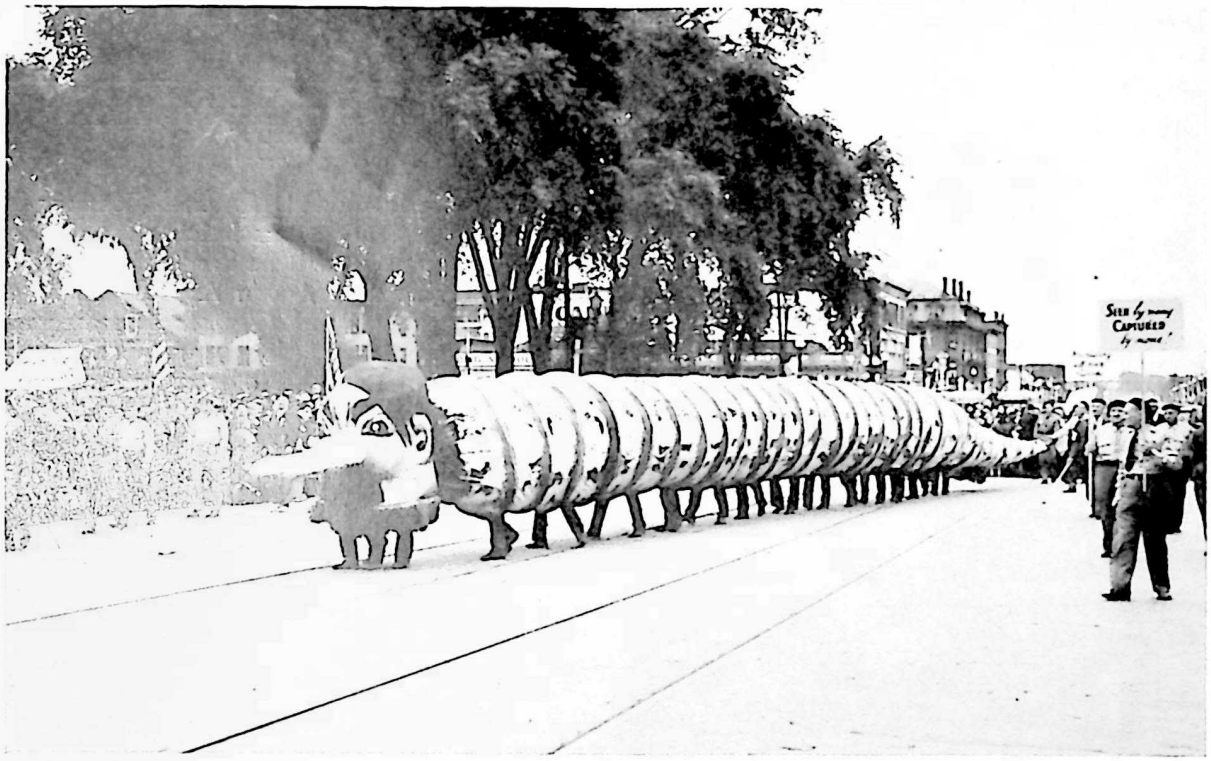
Editorial Policy

An examination of back issues of DOINGS as far as 1931 fails to reveal any definite editorial policy ever having been laid down.

We hope comrades will find acceptable the following procedure.

YANKEE DOINGS will reflect the opinions of all the members and will publish articles on any subject pertinent to YDVA provided they are signed by the writer. As an illustration, if one comrade defends isolation or is opposed to it, any other comrade may present a contrary view and be certain that it will appear.

Since the personal opinions of the editor, in my opinion, should not be inflicted on the membership, you will find darned little of it in any issue. This is your magazine! *The Editor.*



(Photo by Manchester Leader)

Apremont Chapter Placed First with "Adolph the Snake".

Three Cheers for a Good Loser

To all of my friends who worked so hard for my candidacy as National Commander I want to at this time say most sincerely thanks. It is a real pleasure to know that a person has so many friends who think as I do that we were on the right track for this office. It is impossible for me to thank each one personally for their untiring effort but believe me I mean it when I again say THANKS.

To the new National Commander my best wishes for a most successful year, and if there is anything that I can do for him, I will be only too glad to assist in any way. In this year when all of us older veterans will be called on to perform our duty for home defense I am sure that National Commander, Eliot A. Carter will be looking for the support that he so justly deserves.

Congratulations to all of the National Officers.

— Clyde O. Elliott.

FRONT COVER PICTURE

The picture on this issue might well be called "Freedom's Last Stand." Photo by Galloway.

CONVENTION HI-LITES

The happy faces and smiles of the spectators who clasped us to their bosoms — figuratively.

The howls that greeted the Horribles Parade when they saw some of the old-timers who paraded in bras and silk panties, though fat and past forty.

The thoughts of those who enviously listened to comrades returning from the convention and who are doubtless sorry that they meant to make it but didn't get around to it.

The appreciation evidenced on all sides, of the splendid job our Past National Commander has performed these last twelve months.

Past Commander

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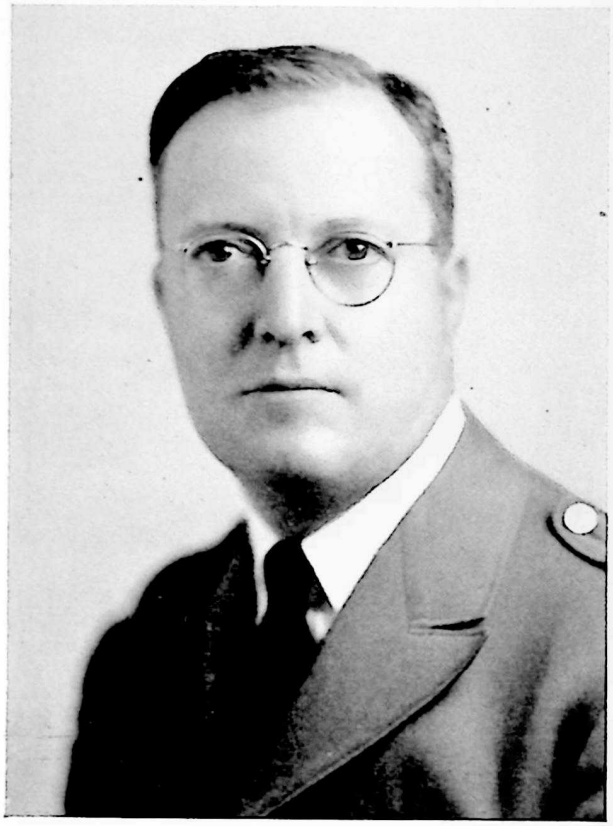

NATIONAL COMMANDER
ELIOT A. CARTER

A brief outline of facts about our new National Commander. He wouldn't talk, so we dug this up alone:

1917 came out of Plattsburg a 2nd Lt., joined Co E, 103rd Inf., at Westfield in Sept. Served with the 103rd Inf. until YD was demobilized in 1919. During that time served with Companies E, F, G, H and I, and for a time served as Bn. Supply Officer, Bn. Adjt. and Regimental Gas Officer.

Was with E Co. on the Chemin des Dames, with I in Bois Brule, and Chateau Thierry offensive, with F in St. Mihiel and Argonne. Was promoted 1st Lt. in Sept., 1918. Wounded at St. Mihiel and gassed in the Argonne.

Former Pres. of N. H. Dept., Y.D.V.A. and one of the charter members of Nashua Chapter. Elected National Commander of YDVA, 1941.

COMRADES OF THE OLD YANKEE DIVISION

As your newly elected National Commander I wish to express my appreciation of the honor conferred on me. It will be hard to surpass the outstanding record of Austin Appleby and that of the Department and Chapter Commanders during this past association year. I shall try with the help of the other officers and members to at least hold the gains made.

Thanks to John Dunlap and his associates, and to the city officials and people of Manchester, we have had a most successful Convention. I know we can look forward to another fine gathering at Springfield in 1942.

I hope during this coming year we may substantially increase our membership, not just to make a showing, but because of what that increased membership can mean to the Association — and more important still the influence a greater Y.D.V.A. can exert in the communities in which it is active in New England and other parts of this country.

Among the prime objectives of our Association is to perpetuate the memories of active service of the 26th Division, U. S. Army, in the World War. If we do a good job in keeping alive these memories we shall not only be better citizens ourselves but we shall inspire others outside our ranks to meet whatever problems that may confront this nation, with faith and courage.

Many who were leaders in the YD in the old war days have drifted away from us. We have missed their counsel and comradeship in our association. We urge them to join us now not only for what we can give them, but also for what they can contribute to us. Thus through a stronger and better Y.D.V.A., there will be in our sectors a more unified, better prepared and more courageous America.

— ELIOT A. CARTER,
National Commander
Y. D. V. A.

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VINE PARMELEE, erstwhile 102nd Machine Gunner, and more recently treasurer of the Hartford National Convention Committee, has been named judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Connecticut by Governor Hurley. Sort of makes up for the Guv's failure to reappoint our own MIKE CONNOR as MV Commissioner.

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PHIL TARBELL — Major Tarbell, to you — formerly of Co. C, 102nd Infantry, is chief aide to the "enemy" general in the proposed war games in Louisiana. JIM QUINN, a leftenant colonel, is the advance agent.

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Captain TONY RAPPA, in addition to his other duties, is now mess officer of the old Cent Deuxieme at Camp Blanding.

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Governor Robert O. Blood, our host at the National Convention, celebrated with Mrs. Blood their 25th wedding anniversary recently. Congratuations and best wishes.

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Captain TIMOTHY J. MULCAHY, Co. A, 101st Field Signal Bat'n., is Zone Legal Officer at the Army Base, Boston.

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Remember the Robin Moor that Jerry sank recently? On it as a seaman was JOHN E. JOHNSON, a YD man, although we haven't discovered his outfit as yet.

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Capt. EDWARD PARKER, Co. G, QM Corps, at Camp Edwards is our old friend of the 101st F.A. Also in the new YD is MALCOLM S. WHITE, who was a sergeant of the 102nd Motor Transport. He is being sent to the QM school at Philly for intensive training.

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Comrades had better order anything they need from the YD sales department toute suite. GUY WATTS says berets are now $1 and three stripe sleeve emblems are up to $1.50. All prices are subject to change without notice but GUY will do everything possible to protect us on prices.

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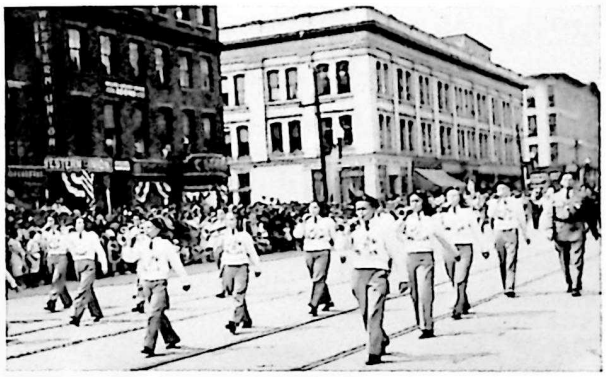
TOM J. SMITH, Staff Sergeant at Camp Paraiso, Canal Zone, sends in his 1942 dues but says he gets homesick for YD. There's no need of this with postage stamps still selling for three cents. How about a few letters, going south?



(Photo by Courtney)

The newly organized Drum and Bugle Corps of the Juniors of Lynn YD Club were something to see.

The Mass. Senate has engrossed the Bill designating Route 128, probably the longest in the state, as the Yankee Division Highway.

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L. P. FULTON, B Co., 104th Inf., who sends in a six months ad for our directory recently listened in silence as N. Y. State Guard officers spoke of their service during the war. Then he got up and toasted "Daddy" EDWARDS.

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An anonymous letter from Togus, but appreciated nevertheless, speaks of our cover in April DOINGS of Battery A. The writer states it should have been labeled Battery "G". The picture came from the YD scrap book and was marked "A", but no matter which is which they were a great bunch. They gave us a can of bacon grease and some hard tack once and you know how good that was, — a long time ago.

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Orchids to ROY COONS of Springfield, who sends in perfect copy for DOINGS. It's neat, it's double spaced, it's signed and the chapter name is at the beginning.

If you plan to attend the A. L. Milwaukee Convention
Write to C. R. Fick
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The Chicago Club Plan a Banquet for YD Men at the Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee.
This Is Important

22nd National Convention

Business Meetings Report

June 5

The Twenty-Second Annual Convention of the Yankee Division Veterans Association — consisting of three business sessions — was held in the main ballroom of the Hotel Carpenter, Manchester, N. H., on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, June 5, 6, and 7, 1941.

The Convention was called to order by the National Commander Austin F. Appleby at 4:00 p. m. Royal K. Hayes of Lowell, Past National Chaplain, offered prayer.

Call of the Convention was read by National Secretary H. Guy Watts.

Roll call of National Officers: Present Commander Appleby, Secretary Watts, Treasurer Redfield, Americanism Officer Hayes, National Sgt.-at-Arms Sullivan, Vice Commanders McNulty of New Hampshire, Sullivan of Massachusetts, Darling of R. I.

Commander Appleby announced the following Resolutions Committee: Elliot K. Hale of Maine, Edward Wilson of New York, Walter Duda of New Hampshire, Fred Flahavan of Cleveland, Ran Darling of Pawtucket, William Thomson of Conn., Kenneth Johnson of Mass.

Address of welcome given by John Dunlap, President of the Convention Corporation.

June 6

The Convention meeting called to order at 11:15 a. m. by National Commander Appleby.

The Colors were advanced while the members stood at salute. Membership stood at attention for thirty seconds in memory of Departed Comrades.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: (Copies of which will be found in Convention notes.)

New Hampshire by Nat. V. Comm. William J. McNulty.
Vermont by Nat. V. Comm. William Cudworth.
Massachusetts by Nat. V. Comm. John T. Sullivan.
Rhode Island by Nat. V. Comm. Randolph Darling.

An application for a Charter by ten paid-up members from the City of Lawrence to be known as the Lawrence Chapter of the Department of Massachusetts of the Yankee Division Veterans Association was read.

A motion was made by Bourne of the Hartford Chapter, seconded by Crokan of the Springfield Chapter that the Charter be granted. Motion passed.

SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT by National Service Officer Frank W. Coppinger.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT by Secretary Watts.

Comparative report of membership as of March 31, 1940 and 1941. Gain in every Department but Rhode Island and Connecticut.

BALLOTING COMMITTEE:

National Commander Appleby appointed the following to serve on the Balloting Committee: A. Raymond Doucette, Chairman, Ben Bourne of Connecticut, Joseph Abair of Vermont, Harry T. Robertson of Hartford, Thomas Kennedy of Fitchburg, James A. Donovan of New York, Walter Vickery of Providence, William McNulty of Nashua. The Committee was asked to report at 9:30 a. m., June 7, at meeting hall for the distribution of ballots.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Read by Secretary: Proposed Amendment No. 1; That a Section No. 3 be added to Article XII as follows:

(Photo by Manchester Leader)

Miss Jane McLaughlin, daughter of Adjt. Henry McLaughlin of A.L., remembers the boys who have passed on.

Section 3, Article XII to read "No National Vice Commander shall hold the office of Commander in any Chapter at the same time."

A motion was made by Earl Williams of N. H., seconded by Healey of New London — unanimously voted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Commander Hagar of the Department of Maine gave a short report stating that the Department had only been recently organized and wished to thank the National Officers for their assistance in travelling hundreds of miles to assist in the formation of the State Department. Also promised to have at least two new Chapters in Maine this year and revive a couple of those that had died.

Commander William Allen of the State Department of Connecticut read a lengthy report of the year. Copy on file.

Meeting adjourned at 12.40 p. m.

June 7

The Convention meeting was called to order at 10:20 a. m. by National Commander Appleby.

Colors were advanced while the membership stood at salute.

Treasurer Redfield gave his annual report. Gross income $8941.74; net worth $2464.84. Profit for year $529.94. Advance payment of dues allowed to maintain a savings account balance of better than $1900.00. Cost of Yankee Doings about $100.00 higher than last year.

A motion was made and seconded that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Motion passed.

The Resolutions Committee was escorted to the platform and Chairman Royal K. Hayes acting in place of

Kenneth D. Johnson, who was not present, read the report of the Committee.

The following resolutions were presented:

(1) We, of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, wish to go on record in sincere appreciation of the many acts of courtesy extended to our Association during its Twenty-Second Annual Convention at Manchester, N. H., by his Excellency, Governor Robert O. Blood.

(2) Resolved that we of the Yankee Division Veterans Association approve and think in the spirit of appreciation, the action of the Governor of Massachusetts, Leverett Saltonstall, in the naming of Route No. 128 to the Yankee Division Highway.

(3) We hereby resolve that the Yankee Division Veterans Association go on record with the suggestion that Congress posthumously award the Congressional Medal of Honor to the late Brigadier General William Mitchell for his patriotic service and foresight in recommending an adequate air force to function as a separate unit of the armed force of the U. S.

(4) Be it hereby resolved that we of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, in meeting at the Twenty-Second National Convention, in Manchester, N. H., do hereby favor the passage of bill known as H. R. 4523. This bill recognizes the high public service rendered by soldiers who volunteered and served in trench-fever experiments in the American Expeditionary Forces.

(5) Be it hereby resolved that we of the Yankee Division Veterans Association hereby go on record as approving of delegation the necessary powers to the President of the United States in this period of National Emergency for any and all programs of national defense which will safeguard the lives, the property and the security of the citizens of the United States of America.

Be it further resolved that we of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, assembled at Manchester, N. H. for our Twenty-Second Annual Convention, do hereby pledge ourselves to aid, assist and support the President of the United States of America in fulfilling the necessary requirements in this program of national defense during the present period of national emergency.

(6) We of the Yankee Division Veterans Association hereby go on record at our Twenty-Second National Convention being held in Manchester, N. H., as favoring the passing of necessary laws, rules and regulations governing the transportation of all supplies for Great Britain and all the democracies with the necessary assurance that these supplies will reach their point of destination.

Be it further resolved that we heartily approve and endorse the return to the "Age-Old" policy of the United States of America to the freedom of the seas.

(7) Resolution that after strict investigation the President be given the power to close any foreign consulate for violation of diplomatic immunity on any subversive activity.

(8) Official recognition be given Commander Austin F. Appleby for service to the Association over and above the call of duty for the past year.

A motion was made to adopt the above resolutions. Motion seconded and passed.

Senator Coolidge of Massachusetts was escorted to the platform.

A motion was made by Cooney of New York and duly seconded that a letter be sent to Chief of Police O'Neil of Manchester complimenting him on the fine work done by the Department during the Convention. Motion passed.

Senator Tobey of New Hampshire was escorted to the platform.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Report of the Nominating Committee by Chairman Joseph Bourget. Reported that several names were considered by the Committee; all were given due consideration; were all capable men and would make fine leaders. But committee could only select one and thought that their selection was the best.

National Commander Appleby read from by-laws the requirements for placing other names in nomination. Stated that the necessary number of signatures had been submitted for the nomination of Clyde O. Elliott of Worcester for the office of National Commander and that his name would be on the ballot.

Dennis J. Brunton declined the nomination for National Vice-Commander from Massachusetts. National Commander Appleby orders John T. Sullivan, present National Vice-Commander from Massachusetts, to continue to serve until such time as his successor is chosen

Senator Coolidge of Massachusetts, who sponsored the bill for the Yankee Division Highway, stated that the bill had been signed by the Governor on Thursday.

Senator Tobey of New Hampshire gave an address of welcome and spoke on the National Defense work and the Monroe Doctrine.

Mayor Robert Putnam of Springfield and City Council were escorted to the platform.

INVITATION FOR NEXT CONVENTION:

Mayor Putnam invites the YD to hold their 1942 Convention in Springfield. Has support of the City government. Have excellent facilities in city in shape of hotels. Will have support of business people, local Chamber of Commerce and the people. Also invites all YD men to participate in Defense parade on July 4. Biggest event in western part of state.

A motion was made by C. Edward Wilson of New York, seconded and carried that the next Convention would be held in Springfield, Mass.

PHILIP N. SANBORN MEMBERSHIP TROPHY:

Commander Nelson of the Hartford Chapter was escorted to the platform and presented with the trophy with the suitable engraving of the Hartford Chapter, winner of the trophy for the first year.

DEPARTMENT REPORT:

National Vice Commander Dickson reported for the Department of the United States.

BALLOTING COMMITTEE REPORT:

Report of the Committee by Chairman Doucette:

Total Ballots cast — 340. Eliot A. Carter 204. Clyde O. Elliott 136. Eliot A. Carter elected National Commander by 68 majority.

A motion was made and seconded that the report of the balloting committee be accepted and that Eliot A. Carter be elected to National Commander of the YDVA. Motion passed.

New National Commander was escorted to the platform. Gave a short speech of acceptance. Hopes to do a good job; will do everything in his power to assist National Defense and build up the YDVA. Appoints William J. McNulty of Nashua as National Sgt.-at-Arms.

Benediction by Royal K. Hayes.

Adjourned until the last week in June at Springfield, Mass., 1942.

— H. GUY WATTS,
National Secretary

MEMBERSHIP STANDING

JULY 12, 1941

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE	
Cumberland	10
Farmington	9
Lewiston	21
Waterville	30
At Large	23
	93

DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Concord	3
Franklin	7
Keene	46
Manchester	66
Nashua	42
Rochester	16
Triangle	10
At Large	11
	201

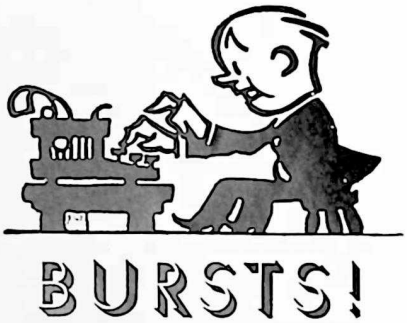
DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT	
Brattleboro	24
Montpelier-Barre	11
Rutland	15
St. Albans	12
Morrisville	11
At Large	4
	77

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS	
Beverly	25
Boston	417
Brockton	9
Concord	57
Danvers	22
Fitchburg	96
Foxborough	8
Gardner	5
Haverhill	38
Holyoke	1
Lawrence	12
Lowell	41
Lynn	166
Marlborough	24
Milford	45
New Bedford	72
Reading	24
Salem	23
Springfield	73
Webster-Dudley	—
Worcester	133
At Large	45
	1336

DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND	
Apremont	120
Kent County	26
Providence	83
At Large	—
	229

DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT	
Bridgeport	26
Bristol	96
Hartford	178
Manchester	47
Meriden	73
Middletown	26
New Britain	53
New Haven	79
New London	37
Norwalk	17
Stamford	22
Terryville	—
Torrington	18
Valley	18
Wallingford	11
Waterbury	22
Willimantic	47
At Large	3
	773

DEPARTMENT OF UNITED STATES	
Chicago	17
Cleveland	44
Denver	11
Detroit	15
Los Angeles	12
New York	123
Philadelphia	15
Washington	33
Life Members	38
At Large	96
GRAND TOTAL	3113



If you have a good one—send it in.

Camp Stewart, Ga., (AP)—Gen. William H. Wilson told this one on himself. While stationed at another post, he decided to fix his car, donned dungarees and crawled under the auto. Only his feet were visible when a soldier approached. This dialogue ensued:

"Working on the old man's car, eh?"

"Yes."

"Gettin' paid extra?"

"No."

"How long you been in the army?"

"About 30 years."

"You a non-commissioned officer?"

"No."

"Hm-m-m-. You must be pretty dumb."

And, providentially, the trooper walked off before the officer could get a look at him.

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Mother (telephoning from town)—Are you and Alice being good little children, Junior?

Junior—Oh, yes, mother, and we are having a lot of fun.

Mother—Well, that's nice. What are you doing?

Junior—Well, we are playing submarine in the bath tub, but it ran over and now we are playing Niagara Falls on the stairs.

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When the preacher called for women to stand up and promise to go home and mother their husbands only one little woman arose and when he told her to go home at once and mother her husband she said, "Mother him? Ah thought you said smother him!"

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Wife—John, dear, I am to be in an amateur theatrical. What would folks say if I were to wear tights?

Hubby — They would probably say that I married you for your money.

Hartford Wins Sanborn Trophy Race

Hartford	**261**
Lynn	**241**
New York	**239**
Providence	**176**
Worcester	**137**
Apremont	**116**

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

At the last meeting of the National Executive Committee held at Springfield, Mass., July 3rd in the Hotel Charles it was voted to place a bronze tablet with a brief history of the war time Division at the base of the new flagpole triangle at Camp Edwards. The Committee appointed by National Commander CARTER were General ROGER W. ECKFELDT, General JOHN H. SHERBURNE, RALPH M. EASTMAN, ALFRED V. JULES, L. H. REDFIELD, H. GUY WATTS and National Commander CARTER.

GEORGE K. MITCHELL of California, nominated for Member-at-Large on the National Executive Committee sent in a letter of regret asking to be allowed to resign on account of the distance and having served on the Committee recently. The resignation was accepted and JAMES H. SULLIVAN, Boston Chapter was elected to serve for the ensuing year as Member-at-Large. H. GUY WATTS was elected National Secretary.

A Promise to Our Treasurer

No one gets less thanks or works harder than a treasure. We've got the best on earth and we'll tell the world — on the Front Cover, if someone will send in his photograph. — *Editor.*

Philadelphia Chapter
BANQUET
August 27th
Food and Fun
6 P. M. $1.65
See Chapter Notes on This

TREASURER'S REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Fiscal Year 1940-1941

EXHIBIT A

Balance Sheet — March 31, 1941

ASSETS		
Cash — State Street Trust Company	343.65	
Dorchester Savings Bank	1,632.02	1,975.67
Life Membership Fund (Dorchester Savings Bank)		302.76
Accounts Receivable (Exhibit C) — From YD Chapters	96.50	
From Advertising	66.00	162.50
Office Equipment	448.58	
Less — Reserve for Depreciation	424.67	23.91
Total Assets		2,464.84
LIABILITIES and NET WORTH		
Prepaid Dues (Exhibit B)		1,206.00
Reserve for Life Membership Investment Fund		302.76
Net Worth — Balance March 31, 1940	461.74	
Add — Net Income for fiscal year 1940-1941 (Exhibit D)	529.94	
Gross Net Worth for period	991.68	
Deduct — Adjustment for portion of Dues of 32 Life Members of YD Club of Boston	35.60	956.08
Total Liabilities and Net Worth		2,464.84

EXHIBIT B

Prepaid Dues

599 Members paid to April 1, 1942	1,198.00
3 Members paid to April 1, 1943	6.00
1 Member paid to April 1, 1944	2.00
	1,206.00

EXHIBIT C

Accounts Receivable

Providence Chapter — set of colors	83.50	
Cleveland Chapter — Balance of New Members	13.00	96.50
Washington Press	30.00	
C. E. Bissett	18.00	
C. I. Boynton	18.00	66.00
		162.50

EXHIBIT D

Income and Expense Statement

Year Ended March 31, 1941

Income		
Membership Dues	7,872.00	
Advertising Income	280.63	
Contributions	1.00	
Subscriptions	10.00	
Sales	21.30	
Miscellaneous Income	6.81	
Income from Boston Convention	750.00	
Gross Income		8,941.74

Expenses			
Yankee Doings Expense — Printing	3,381.24		
Wrapping	135.25		
Postage	244.23		
Express	23.01		
Miscellaneous	70.87	3,854 60	
Salaries		2,201.13	
Rent		600.00	
Office Expense		121.49	
Miscellaneous Expense		224.51	
Membership Expense		462.29	
Postage		191.86	
Convention Expense		20.00	
Travel Expense		494.16	
Telephone		41.00	
Administrative Expense		100.90	
Bank Charges		10.30	
Social Security Taxes		44.70	
Depreciation of Equipment		44.86	8,411.80
Net Profit, transferred to Net Worth			529.94

Auditing Committee:
ROBERT J. STANDLEY
PERLEY E. KNIGHT
A. M. PACIFICI

L. H. REDFIELD,
National Treasurer

APO No. 709

HENRY V. O'DAY, Bat'y. A, 101st F.A., has been appointed second deputy of the Department of State Aid and Pensions. A grand fellow who deserves it.

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GUY WATTS has a youngster, Gardner, at Westover Field, Chicopee Falls, Mass. "Thanks for the smokes", says he and "goodbye now because chow is too good to miss". Just like his dad. Always taking care of the stomach.

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CLYDE BECKWITH sent in some jokes for "Bursts" and informs WATTS the Willing that he thinks the life of a secretary is hell. And an editor's?

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We would like to meet the bird who gave us the dope on BEN PITMAN's recent illness — alone! Ben writes from Stamford, "I have not been operated on, I have not had a baby, but I had a sob of a coronary thrombosis attack in March". Here he restrains himself with difficulty, but goes on to say he is going to get married and re-enlist. What a bear for punishment.

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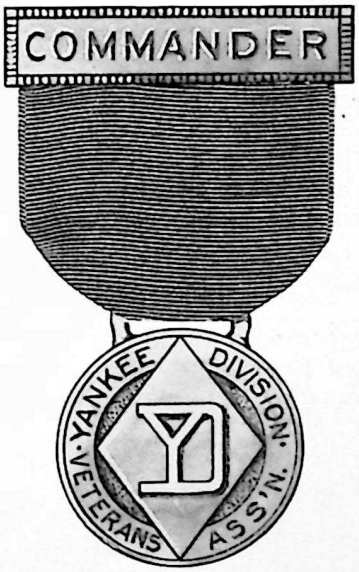
Payment of one-third the contract price has been made to the sculptor to whom the State of Connecticut awarded the contract for the erection of an heroic size likeness of "Daddy" EDWARDS. The memorial will be located on the State Capitol Grounds. What say, Massachusetts?



FOR CHAPTER OFFICERS

We are now ready to furnish all Chapters with a complete set of Officers' medals to wear during meetings. Namely Commander, Vice Commanders, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Service Officer. The price for each medal is $1.00 with bar on ribbon denoting office. Order from Sales Dept.

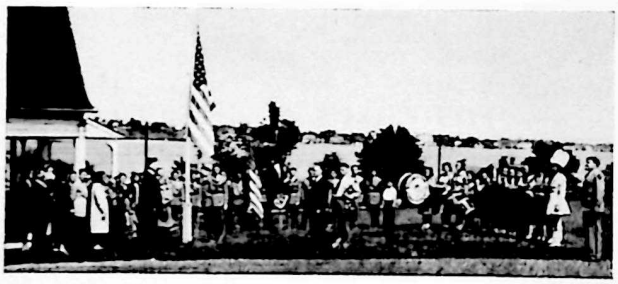
(Photo by Courtney, Sr.)

Four year old Newton Courtney, Jr., of Swampscott, Mass., has Marty Taylor of the Boston YD Club saying Uncle.

REPORT OF THE MERITORIOUS CERTIFICATE COMMITTEE

The Committee consisting of P.N.C. Doucette, Treasurer Redfield and Judge Advocate Harold J. Smith brought in the following recommendation: That each Chapter with 50 members or less be allowed one (1) certificate every two years. Chapters with membership between 50 and 150, one certificate every year. Chapters with membership over 150 two (2) certificates each year. The Chapter who is the Host of the Convention eight (8) each year. Chapters under fifty (50) membership can submit one name each year and if it is the off year will be referred to the National Executive Committee to act on. All names submitted must be accompanied by an explanation why the certificates should be awarded.

This suggestion was made in the form of a motion and passed by the National Executive Committee at a regular meeting held at Boston, Mass., on May 11th, 1941.



New London Presents Colors to Jr. College. P.C. Albert Germain, Chairman.

Appleby Rides Again

P.N.C. Appleby wound up his administration in a blaze of glory and then astounded everyone by a few acrobatic stunts that probably belong in the Air Corps.

In an exclusive interview today, he frankly admitted that he even surprised himself!

An hour out of Manchester after the convention and with Mrs. Appleby beside him, he was walloped by a bird who tore out of a side street and hurled our indomitable P.N.C. off the road. The car turned over twice and was sold for junk, but, miraculously, both the occupants escaped death.

Comrades will be pleased to hear that though they were injured, they are rapidly recovering.

Why Did Nancy Fossiano Stand Up Your Editor?

Dear Mr. Jules:

I hope you don't think I am crazy to write you but I have just finished reading DOINGS. It is a wonderful magazine. Mr. Appleby's picture on the cover is too wonderful for words. Would you print a picture of Cowboy Sullivan? I am putting the commander's picture up in my room. I am fourteen and will see you at the convention, I hope!

—Nancy Fossiano,
Beverly, Mass.

Judge: "Where is your husband?"

Defendant: "I ain't got no husband. He been dead nigh onto ten years."

Judge: "Are those all your children?"

Defendant: "Yes, suh. Dey's mine."

Judge: "But I thought you said your husband is dead!"

Defendant: "Yes, suh; he's dead, but I aint."

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"I can't marry you," said the justice of the peace to the obviously nervous bridegroom, "If this girl is only seventeen you will have to get her father's consent."

"Consent!" yelled the groom-to-be. "Say, who do you think this old guy with the rifle is, Daniel Boone?"

Left to right: **Lt. Col. Forrest Drury; Pres. YDVA Conv. Corp., John W. Dunlap; C. Edward Wilson, N. Y.; Newt Courtney, Jr.; Nate Goodman, Pres., 101st San. Train Ass'n.**

QUIZ BOX

1. Where does the flag fly day and night?
2. What is the oldest armed branch of the service?
3. Why are old soldiers always tired on the first of April?
4. Which is the higher rank; a captain in the Army or Navy?
5. What are the four names for our flag in the service?
6. How does a motorized differ from a mechanized unit?
7. What establishment in England corresponds to our West Point?
8. If Ireland sank what would float?
9. What is the literal meaning of the word "dirigible"?
10. True or false; the top and bottom stripes of our flag are red?

ANSWERS TO QUIZ BOX

1. Over the grave of Francis Scott Key, composer of the Star Spangled Banner.
2. U.S. Marines.
3. They've just had a march of 31 days.
4. Navy.
5. Ensign, colors, standard, flag.
6. Motorized is method of transportation, mechanized indicates kind of equipment.
7. Sandhurst.
8. Cork.
9. "Capable of being steered."
10. True.

A. P. O. 709

Past Nat. Asst. Sec'y has to get permission to get out nights from now on. He married May Truesdale of Pawtucket recently the ceremony being performed in Willimantic, and May says if HOWY gets off the front porch from now on she'll be unconscious. It was a home wedding, the service taking place before a silk mantle of white, the national colors on the right and the YD on the left. The right girl, the right flag, the right friends, — who could ask for more!

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Lt. Col. HARRY M. GAMBREL, got a full column in the Kansas City *Times* on June 25, writes CHESTER PARKER. Can't give you all the details but the big item is that he is now commander of the 3rd Inf., Missouri Military Reserve.

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ELMER DAVIS, 101st Inf., has been dragged into N. Y. Chapter by "Buck" O'BRIEN. We're glad and his six-page letter indicates he is too.

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Twenty-nine New Haven YD men, most of them members of New Haven Chapter, have received American Red Cross First Aid certificates.

Those who received the coveted certificates were: RALPH BOVE, RAYMOND F. CHABONNEAU, Past Commander JOHN T. DILLON, Secretary HENRY J. DUBE, NATHAN HAMERMAN, Commander FRED V. HIRSCH, VICTOR LANZONI, Past National Commander LEN MALONEY, THOMAS F. MCMAHON, Junior Vice Commander ALBERT W. SMITH, WILLIAM H. SOMMER, FELIX SPARVELL, GEORGE G. TYRRELL, FRITZ ZETTERGREN, Treasurer JOSEPH SCHURK and RALPH A. WALKER, EGISTO CINQUINI, RAYMOND V. KENNEY, GEORGE J. KREIS, ROBERT B. LYNN, HENRY J. NODER, SHERWOOD ROGERS, Dr. ABRAHAM ROSOFF, ROY L. TOWER, GEORGE W. WISE, HENRY R. JANICKE and Major FRANK E. WOLFE.

COMING EVENTS

YD DINNER — during V.F.W. Convention, Philadelphia, Penn. Sponsored by the Philadelphia Chapter, Y.D.V.A.

YD DINNER — during the Legion Convention, Milwaukee, Wisc. Sponsored by the Chicago Chapter, Y.D.V.A.

Bachelor Uncle—How old is the baby?
Proud Father—Eight months.
Bachelor Uncle—Talk yet?
Proud Father—No, not yet.
Bachelor Uncle—Boy, eh?

FREEDOM WILL RING

DAVID SWARTZ
National Americanism Officer, Yankee Division Veterans Association

The nation stands in a whirlpool of events bewildering to the people who seek the right path to travel to regain a peaceful sanctuary. The kaleidoscopic changes of the map of Europe have a far reaching effect on the Western Hemisphere. The interpretation of this effect has developed two broad issues. One, the belief that the United States of America should abstain from any and all participation in the conflict in Europe. With the thought that Nazi Dictatorial powers would not, nor could if they so desired, do material harm to these United States. The opposite faction believe that the forces of the totalitarian powers are directing their entire resources at the Western Hemisphere with the object in view of completely dominating the world. To checkmate such objective it is essentially important that the United States exert their utmost influence to support the one great nation opposing the war machinery of the Nazi's.

Were the United States to fail to aid Great Britain it would mean the vanquishment of the only remaining democratic country in Europe. Leaving in control of the Nazi's the absolute domination of the economic life of the Eastern continent, who would, with little doubt, dictate the policies of distribution, sale, and exportation, and control of prices at a figure whereby the advantage would lie totally within the hands of the controlling Nazi. There would be absolutely no regard given to competition, justice, or quality of merchandise. American surpluses of commodities would become liabilities in warehouses overladen from American merchandizing and production methods with no outlet in foreign markets other than at terms laid down by them.

The stifling of American commerce would lower the standard of living in the United States. It would throw out of employment millions of men and women. Concerns by the score would be wiped out. It would mean the beginning of the decline of the United States as a commercial power. As a nation of producers the United States may be self-sustainable for a short period of time but when the need of vital minerals, medicinal products, and articles necessary to commerce became great it would definitely silence the intervention of wishful thinkers who have become obsessed with the thought that the United States could live on what it produces indefinitely.

Not only would a Nazi dominated Europe affect the standard of living in America and the employment of American labor but it would result in the regimentation of all industry, labor, and the people under a dictatorship thereby ending the democratic form of government under the Constitution of the United States that we enjoy at present.

To protect the very life of the nation, the people of the nation, and our commerce and industry, it is absolutely important that the people unite in the cause of liberty with the fervor of sincere patriots, strong in the inherent love of freedom, and with an unquenchable fire to combat any activities directed against the good and welfare of the country. "Our Country right or wrong, our Country" is as appropriate a slogan today as it was in 1775. Complete co-ordination and co-operation of all in industry and labor directed towards the end to achieve success and the support of the nation is a patriotic people's duty.

The love of country is deep seated in the hearts of the American people. It is manifestly evident in the native born and in the hearts of the naturalized citizen who severed the citizenship of his native country in order to enjoy the life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness in the country of the free. Today when the nation stands on the brink of dangerous shoals surrounded by conditions of war the citizens, one and all, must face the situation with a calm resolve and definite determination to fight any and all enemies whether they attack from within or without the borders of the country. Especially must all be on guard to prevent American Quisslings from gratifying personal phobias.

There is no time to quibble when national defense depends upon the complete unification of all of the people in becoming adequately prepared in arms, in trained military and naval forces, in the complete subordination of personal prejudices that otherwise tend to disrupt the loyalty of the American people in their love for the Flag, in their support of the Constitution, and in their strong belief in the principles of democracy that in the United States means freedom for all sincere Americans.

Freedom will ring! Liberty will live for posterity! Peace in America will be secure—as long as the American people stand united in defense of the Flag and in defense of the Constitution of the United States of America that makes all men equal and ALL AMERICANS.

DEPARTMENT AND CHAPTER NEWS

National Commander Eliot A. Carter, Elliott St., Nashua, N. H.
National Secretary: H. Guy Watts, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

Dep't. Commander: Hazen O. Hagar, 28 Maine Ave., Portland, Maine
Dep't. Secretary: Elton P. Walker, 94 Beckett St., Portland, Maine

State Meeting — Auburn

Androscoggin Valley Chapter was host to a Department meeting held at the V.F.W. home in Auburn at 2 P.M. on Sunday, May 25.

Nat. Com. APPLEBY with his bodyguard Cowboy JIM (taped ribs and all) and ERROL EMERY came down from Boston. Dept. Com. RANDOLPH DARLING came all the way from Rhode Island to be with us.

Dept. Com. HAZEN HAGAR conducted the meeting and with him from Cumberland County Chapter came Dept. Sec. ELTON WALKER, Com. AUSTIN G. LUND, MELANSON, DODGE and CUNNINGHAM.

Waterville was represented by Com. POIRIER, DIAMBIE, BOYD, HUARD and JOSEPH.

Sorry to report no one showed up from Farmington.

Last but by no means least among our visitors was EMIL SVERINGSEN from Concord, Mass. Chapter but now running a poultry and dairy farm at Washington, Maine. EMIL reported that he was trying to get a chapter started at Augusta and already had seven ex-YD'ers signed on the dotted line. Here's hoping you are the right man in the right place EMIL and more power to you.

Com. LIN JEWETT with FRED SHAW, NORM THOMAS, GENE BEAUDOIN, ROY SMITH, GEO. DULAC, WALTER SAWTELL and yours truly held the fort for our local chapter, or did we?

Anyhow most everyone present was called upon and many helpful suggestions were made, cussed and discussed on a long list of subjects, increased membership and activities, home defense, sabotage, espionage and a department outing and picnic.

After the meeting the whole gang retired to the V.F.W. restaurant below and enjoyed various chow and drink items on the menu.

—BILL ROACH.

DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Dep't. Commander: Albert J. Shepard, 2 Arrow St., Rochester, N. H.
Dep't. Secretary: Edward S. LeBlanc, 59 Temple St., Nashua, N. H.

State Meeting — Keene

The State meeting of this Dept. was held in G.A.R. Hall in Keene, May 4, 1941.

When the Dept. Commander and myself and 16 other loyal comrades of Nashua Chapter arrived at the Hall we were greeted by the "Ballantine Chapter" in the basement and as it was a pretty warm day it was appreciated by all those present.

NORMAN SPENCER, Chairman of the Dept. Hospital Fund reported the sum of $49.30 on hand and all expenses paid. This is the first time that any money for the Hospital Fund has ever been turned over to the incoming Commander. So hats off to Chairman SPENCER and Comrade ELIOT CARTER and to you Comrades who sold tickets for making this possible.

At this meeting the officers elect of Keene Chapter were installed by Dept. Com. WILLIAM J. MCNULTY. GEORGE A. HOLT, 101st Hdqts Co. will be the Chapter Commander for this year, and if I am any judge of executive ability let me tell you now that Keene Chapter will be heard from during his administration. So the best of luck George.

This Dept. went on record to raise funds to buy a Dept. Flag, so that the Dept. of New

Hampshire would have one for their Convention.

Chairman EARL WILLIAMS of the Nashua Chapter YD Ball invited everyone present to come to Nashua on May 29th at the State Armory and he promised them the best time they ever had.

Visiting this Dept. from Vermont were the following comrades: JOHN LINSTROM (Co. B. 103rd Mach. Gun Bn.) and also BILL MCNULTY's Old Top Kick in World War No. 1. (BILL says that he was the best top kick over there and he says it's not balony either.) Also from the Rutland Chapter were FRED STONE and BILL DEAN.

Commander FERANELLI, of the Marine Corps League Chapter was present and he extended the greetings of the Leather Necks to the YDVA, and why shouldn't he! Who in Hell won the war anyway.

After the meeting we were served with a real honest to goodness beef stew, and boy did the gang do justice to it. It was LEO VIGUE's idea and a swell one at that. Stop me if you've heard this one before. "Beef Stew she good for the . . . " Well, so long Buddies, BILL MCNULTY and I wish you all the best of Health and Luck.

—E. S. L.

Nashua Auxiliary

Mrs. Alice LaFlamme is responsible for the organization of an auxiliary unit ably aided by Mrs. Ruth Parker. As of June first there are 48 members. New Hampshire State Comm. MCNULTY opened the first meeting, then turned the gavel over to EARLE L. WILLIAMS who installed the following offcers:

Pres., Dorothy Williams; V. P., Antoinette Morton; J.V.P., Ruth Parker; Chaplain, Christine Mason; Treas., Irene Tanguay; Sec., Eleanor Milliken; Conductress, Louise Bouley; Trustees, Claire Tanguay, Bertha O'Connell, Jane Nadeau.

DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT

Dep't. Commander: William Cudworth, R.F.D. No. 1, Brattleboro, Vt.

Dep't. Secretary: Joseph G. Abair, 8 Hubbard St., Montpelier, Vt.

Back home again to the green hills of Vermont after attending one of the best conventions in years. Brother, they are getting BIGGER and Better each year. Speaking for a number of Vermonters who attended the convention we can truthfully say that we met more of the old gang than at any other convention. They are on the Up and Up. There is a reason. Once a fellow attends one of these convention you can't keep him away. I can't just explain what it is but we of YD have something that the rest do not have. If I am not mistaken they had 7,000 of the old crowd and that, brother, is a crowd in anybody's town. Did you notice in the Boston *Sunday Post* of June 8th, "VERMONT BOYS IN PARADE." Times have changed. Only a few years ago only a few of us attended. We will be in Springfield with a larger delegation next June. SO here is a tip to the convention committee: MAKE SURE that Vermont has a band. We will overlook Manchester. It must have been a slip up. We will be down from the Green Hills bringing the Mrs. along so that she also can enjoy the pleasure and good times that we get out of these reunions. I only wish that we could hold a convention in Vermont, but realizing how they have grown in the past few years, we have not the facilities to hold one. This year in Manchester the Horrible Parade was a dandy. It gave the people a chance to have a good laugh and at this time that is worth a great deal.

To "Hinky Dinky," that mysterious bird—thanks for backing me up on "Jim" KELLY, the best YMCA worker in the A.E.F. AUSTIN asked in Manchester who this "Guy Hinky Dinky" was. I told him I did not know and he stills thinks that I am giving him a run around. Give us some more news.

Rutland Chapter held their installation May 8th at Lake Rescue, Charles Gleason's Camp, Ludlow, Vt. National Commander APPLEBY did the honors assisted by H. GUY WATTS and ERROL EMERY. ALFRED ROBERTS was the new Commander.

Washington and Lamoille County had a joint installation May 17 in Montpelier, Vt. National Commander APPLEBY, Nat. Sgt.-at-Arms JAMES SULLIVAN, ERROLL EMERY and Mr. and Mrs. HARRY PLUFF did the honors. It was good to see

JIM but he will have to take things easy for a while. The dinner was held at the Brown Derby then we adjourned to KENNETH MCINTOSH's house. We had the installation. Only a small crowd attended. Maybe it was because we did not have ladies' night and they would not let the boys attend. BUDDY MCINTOSH has always had open house when the boys are around. He has been under the weather for several years and this is one way that he has a chance to meet the boys.

Washington County was pleased when Commander APPLEBY announced when he presented Lamoille County with their charter that it was the first and only charter that he had signed in his term of office up to this time. So you see Vermont has still got something on the rest. We were pleased to do this for Austin for he has done a lot for Vermont and we wish that we could do more.

To National Commander ELLIOT CARTER—Vermont Department wishes you the best of luck and a successful year. Now get this straight, we will try and give you another chapter or maybe two if things go the way we have them lined up.

Had a great visit with AUSTIN LUND, Commander of Portland, Me. You remember, he was the boy that was in a cast a few months ago. He is like a new man. Keep the old spirit Austin. From what the boys from Maine told me you are doing a good job.

I want to say a word to WARREN CARBERG. Warren you did a real job in the *Post* of the doings of the convention. It is things like that we need, that is to say, to let the public know that we have not forgotten the boys that have gone on.

It's a small world. While I was on my way to attend the VFW convention which was held in the Montpelier City Hall, a chap from California was parked out front and from the description of his car and his size that I had I went up to him and said, "Aren't you a YD man?" and he said yes. Then the shell exploded and he asked me if I knew different ones and one was a chap that was in the army with me who died only a few months ago out in Los Angeles, then of all persons he said H. Guy Watts, a 104th man, I can not tell you all the things he said here but I would like to be around when they meet. If I am not mistaken his name is RALPH RIDDLEY, 104th Inf.

Attended the V.F.W. Department convention and spoke on YD and General EDWARDS. There were I should say about fifty YD men in the meeting and after the meeting who walked up to shake hands with me but Dept. Com. CUDWORTH and his right hand man NICK SCHULTZ who still can run twenty miles or more.

Commander and I talked over a meeting to be held in Burlington this summer so the plans will be announced later. This is an ideal place to hold a meeting right on the shores of Lake Champlain.

Commander CUDWORTH and CLIFF FAIR are working on Bennington so by the next issue of DOINGS it will be a reality. Let's hope so.

Enclosed a story by one of our boys, Bugler FRED B. SHEPERD. A lot of the boys will get a kick out of it. I think it would be good news if we could get a few original stories like this. (will be in Sept. issue. Ed.)

Here is a new slant on YANKEE DOINGS. It is how it works out in my family. Am away from home all week and when DOINGS shows up the Mrs. takes it from the mail and reads it, then my son George, 12 grabs it and looks it over, then the young Miss Janice comes along and does the same. So when I get home they all tell me what is in YANKEE DOINGS. They like the Quiz Box and APO No. 709. So you see, I get my $2.00 back in many ways.

— JOSEPH G. ABAIR.

P. S. I forgot to say that Commander CUDWORTH and his aide NICK SCHULTZ got on the wrong road out of White River Jct. and landed up in Chelsea, Vt. and this was why he was late for the meeting. Also had a talk with Secretary SIBLY of Morrisville, Vt. telling me that they had received the dues from 1st Sgt. "Snap" GATES from Tennessee. He was in F Co. 101st Am. Train. That's the way boys, keep it up.

Not a word from Camp Blanding or Past Dept. Com. RAY COLLINS. Just had a talk with a color Sgt. from Camp who is home on leave. He tells me that he will tell Ray to write that story that he promised.

BRATTLEBORO
Commander: Leon Barnes
75 Oak Grove Ave., Brattleboro, Vt.
Secretary: Nicholas Schultz
Williamsville, Vt.

The Brattleboro Chapter YDVA held their regular meeting in the Legion rooms Thursday evening June 12th; twenty members being

present including all Chapter officers with the exception of Historian.

One of the most interesting meetings in some time was held at this time. We welcome two new members into our Chapter, H. A. LEACH and ROY BERRY of Co. E, 103rd Inf. and a visitor of Montpelier Chap. ALBERT PICHETTE. Expect to see more of AL at our meetings from now on as he is going to locate in Brattleboro. Department Commander BILL CUDWORTH gave an interesting report on the National Convention. Congratulations to the Manchester gang for putting over a swell Convention. We enjoyed every minute.

In the near future Brattleboro Chapter will blossom out with YD uniforms. A committee of three, consisting of BILL CUDWORTH, LYMAN BARRETTE and CHARLES LANGMAID were appointed to head the campaign for raising the necessary funds. We missed COOK HEAP and JOE FLEMING at this meeting.

—NICK SCHULTZ.

MONTPELIER-BARRE
"Washington County Chapter"
Commander: Willis Mould
1 King St., Barre, Vt.
Secretary: Ralph A. Lawliss
51 Elm St., Barre, Vt.

Our regular monthly meeting as of June 27th last was held in Barre, with about 15 members present. The heat that evening was terrific.

A report on our recent National Convention at Manchester, N. H. was given out. Although about 10 members of this Chapter were there and participated in the gallant and colorful parade, three of us didn't arrive there until about 20 minutes before starting time of the parade. It was moved to see that our next get-together would be at the Legion Convention of Vermont at Barre, Saturday, July 26, 1.30 P.M. with the ladies invited. The place to be announced later. Registration for this at Hotel Barre open to all YD members.

Dues are slow coming in, but we will get there just the same as the YDVA shall always "Carry On."

—RALPH LAWLISS.

DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND

Dep't. Commander: Robert N. Murray, 9 Tallman Ave., Providence, R. I.
Dep't. Secretary: Wm. Monte, Arnold's Neck, Warwick, R. I.

PAWTUCKET
"Apremont Chapter"
Commander: Joseph L. Bourget
907 Main St., Pawtucket, R. I.
Secretary: Ralph W. Dexter
43 Thornley St., Pawtucket, R. I.

This time it is a great pleasure to make this report. Every good YD man will be proud of our accomplishments. First of all you will welcome these new members:

GRATIEN LEPERE, L. JOSEPH KEOUGH, LEO J. NOLAN, RALPH KORN, GEORGE LOTTI, HOMER POIRIER, CHARLES FINLEY, ADRIEN LAPRADE, PATRICK J. CARROLL, JAMES E. FLOOD.

Welcome comrades and we invite you to take an active part in all YD activities.

You will also be glad to know that Apremont has "Re-uped" almost 100%. There are a few members who haven't had "time" to pay their dues yet but (we hope they will soon) as a whole we are "over the top" from last year and we are ready to concentrate on other things. To those of you who were disturbed rather late at night (during our membership campaign) please accept my sincere apologies. Our enthusiasm was only surpassed by our desire to report a 100% "re-up" on the convention floor, which we did and I wish to thank every member of Apremont Chapter for their fine cooperation. Keep up the good work.

Now, a word about the convention. We had a very good turnout from Pawtucket as most of you know by this time. We kept Apremont's name out in front by winning first prize ($100.) in the Horrible Parade. For this we must thank FRANK SENIOR for having conceived the idea and wracked his brain for several weeks worrying about it. Also a few of Frank's boys from the store—Frank Block, Zig Jablecki and Walter O'Hearn who worked very hard. Boys, Apremont Chapter thanks you whole-heartedly for your support. The Manchester newspapers gave Apremont's entry front page headline news, a photographic spread the full width of the sheet and believe me boys, they are still talking about it. Congratulations were flying thick

and fast, but the proudest moment of my life came about 11 P.M. Friday night at Military Ball when in the midst of a dance the orchestra stopped and there came a voice over the public address system announcing the winner and the four year champions of the Horrible Parade as our own APREMONT CHAPTER. I remember strutting up like a peacock after that check and from there on it was "the sky is the limit." If you need any proof that the boys had a good time here it is—they were all sick for three days when they got back. Of the dress parade on Saturday—"You will excuse me if I appear to be a bit hysterical occasionally" but I bulged with pride at the appearance of our R. I. Delegation. We had about 32 men in uniform and that many more in civies marching behind the smartest band in the line of march, and only through the efforts of our State Commander RAND DARLING were we able to obtain that band. Gentlemen I am not exaggerating when I say that R. I. received a round of applause at every block. I say "Well done thou good and faithful son of the YD." But now let's get out of the past and look to the future. There is much to be done to keep this YD Chapter in the front.

We have started a pool to obtain uniforms for our members who are interested and it is going great guns. All tickets were sold in three days and the men were asking for more. When you read this we will have funds enough for about 3 uniforms. If you are interested in one, "see AL SHABBOTT immediately." All arrangements for the State Department "Bake" have been completed. It is to be held at the "Modoc Club" on Sunday, July 20th. Let's make this the outstanding event of the year in YD activities in R. I.

A boy was chosen by your Committee for the Boys State. His name is Elliott Dann, Jr. "Good boy Elliott." Apremont Chapter wishes you an interesting and successful week at Kingston.

Gentlemen! As a parting reminder, there are about 5 or 6 members who have not "re-uped" their membership. Let us not rest until we have convinced them that we need them.

Keep your chins up! Apremont is going ahead! Thank you. —JOSEPH L. BOURGET.

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Dep't. Commander: Edward C. Maley, 21 Elmdale St., W. Springfield, Mass.
Dep't. Secretary: Thomas F. Crokan, Pine St., Springfield, Mass.

State Meeting — Reading

At a meeting of the Mass State Department held in Reading, Mass. on Sunday, July 13th the nomination of EDWARD C. MALEY (Springfield Chapter) to fill the vacancy caused by the declining of DENNIS BRUNTON.

A special meeting of the National Executive Committee was held for the purpose of ratifying the nomination. The committee ratified the nomination.

The meeting of the State Department was then called to order and the following officers were installed. Commander, EDWARD C. MALEY, (Springfield Chapter), Sr. V.C., LEON VARNUM (Lynn Chapter), Jr. V.C., HARRY PLUFF (Haverhill Chapter), Secretary, THOMAS CROKAN (Springfield Chap.), Treasurer, FRANCIS LYNCH, (Haverhill Chapter), Chaplain, EARL SAUNDERS (Worcester Chapter), Sgt.-at-Arms, ROY COONS (Springfield Chapter).

BEVERLY

Commander: Fred N. Creed
138 Conant St., Beverly, Mass.
Secretary: Harold F. Heald
9 Clark Ave., Beverly, Mass.

Met at G.A.R. Hall Monday evening, May 19th. The Chapter received an official visitation from State Commander JOHN T. SULLIVAN. John T. gave an interesting talk on YD.

GEORGE BRIGHT put on a chowder. They are always good. The Chapter attended St. Peters with the Legion Post Sunday, May 25th. Many turned out in beret and YD shirt.

The Chapter will parade Memorial Day with GEORGE BRIGHT, our Past Commander as Chief Marshal.

Our Commander, FRED CREED, was able to obtain funds from the city to take care of YD markers and our YD graves in Beverly will all be remembered. FRANK SMITH, State Judge Ad-

vocate, has been taking part in most all of the military activities in Beverly. How about giving yourself a well earned vacation for a few weeks Frank.

Our SAMMY LEE can always see the other side of the idea and will put up a good argument, however. Sam is there when things have to be done. LESLIE MORGAN, real estate man, has put across the Legion's new home on Hale Street. BOB STANDLEY's boat is in the water. How about it sailor?

Our Auxiliary, made up of the wives of YD men, can put over most any event. They all have faithfully served YD and the Legion in Beverly. We salute the wives of YD men.

—H. F. HEALD.

BOSTON
Commander: John F. Collins
381 Pond Ave., Brookline, Mass.
Secretary: H. Guy Watts
200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

The regular monthly Smoker for June was held on Thursday, June 19th. The guest speaker of the evening was Saville R. Davis, Rome Correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor, recently returned to the United States.

Mr. Davis, who is the only person in the United States who is in a position to tell the uncensored story of the collapse of Fascism gave one of the most interesting talks heard at the Club for a long time. He had the actual facts gathered from personal touch by being on the ground for the previous year. He explained the inside workings of the Fascist system in regard to the Italian people and their reactions to the so-called New Order.

FITCHBURG
Commander: J. Harold Crain
160 Union St., Leominster, Mass.
Secretary: William E. King
431 Main St., Leominster, Mass.

Fitchburg Chapter, YDVA held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, May 13, 1941, with 46 members present at the meeting. Past Commander THOMAS KENNEDY was appointed Chairman of the Committee to make arrangements for the State meeting to be held in Fitchburg, Mass. on Sunday, Sept. 7.

A special honor that the Fitchburg Chapter has this year is having Past Com. CHARLES GOGUEN as Chief Marshal of the Memorial Day parade. Also as aides or on the staff are Past Com. THOMAS E. KENNEDY, Past Com. DANIEL MORAN, and Comrades JOSEPH CORBOSIERO, FRANK ZINGERELLA, ALFRED MAGUY, and ALFRED PROVENCIAL.

—WILLIAM E. KING.

DANVERS
Commander: Wesley B. Grover
Secretary: Charles W. Davis
21 Holten St., Danvers, Mass.

Danvers Chapter YD held their last meeting of the season on June 25 at the home of Past Com. HAROLD B. WILLIAMS when 36 members sat down to a real New England Clam Bake served by Harold himself who certainly knows how to cook a real clam bake outdoors in the garden where he has set up an outdoor fireplace. The meal was topped off by a fine strawberry shortcake made by hostess Mrs. Harold Williams. Tables were set up in the driveway with lights strung overhead. Commander WESLEY B. GROVER and Comrade CARL EATON came up from Camp Edwards where they are serving with the 102nd F. A., 26th Div. Also present were Commander WALTER MORSE of the American Legion, Past Nat. Commander of the YDVA AUSTIN APPLEBY who served in the 104th Infantry overseas with Past Com. HAROLD WILLIAMS, and Past Nat. Serg. at Arms JIM "Cowboy" SULLIVAN. Everybody agreed that it was a fine windup to a very successful year of social meetings the YD boys of Danvers enjoy once a month and much of its success is due to Harold for the fine way he put things over. He was ably assisted by HARVEY BISHOP and ERNEST FOSSA and JACK CONDON made a grand K.P.

Danvers Chapter held their monthly meeting as usual at Mrs. Pike's Inn Wednesday, May 28th. We had the usual HAROLD B. WILLIAMS hour before we sat down to a fine chicken and steak dinner. 22 members were present and we took in four new members' applications. After the supper the usual social evening was enjoyed. We now have 16 paid up members and I am in hopes of getting the balance in soon. Am in hopes of getting at least 30 paid up members this year.

The chapter went on record as endorsing the radio address of the President. They also went on record as endorsing the candidacy of CLYDE ELLIOT for the office of Nat. Commander. Today is Memorial Day and the Chapter was re-

presented on the Memorial Day Staff by First Commander HAROLD WILLIAMS. We also deposited a wreath at the G.A.R. Monument during the exercises.

—C. W. DAVIS.

FOXBORO

Commander: Fred Knight
Secretary: Warren Carberg
West Medway, Mass.

The Foxboro Chapter boys are serious about helping out with this national defense business and they are considering taking up the matter at the next department meeting. Most of the boys are connected with the A.R.P. or the state guard or the American Legion or something else but the general feeling was expressed at the June meeting that they would like to do something as a Yankee Division unit.

Commander FRED KNIGHT, known in the A.E.F. as "Burlap pudding Freddie," because of some of the concoctions he used to turn out when he sweated over the hot field range while the other boys were keeping cool and comfy in nice cool shell holes, is looking for some suggestions just in case neither he nor any of his boys happen to think of anything before the July powwow.

Trouble is by the time they have put away ten or a dozen cans of ale to alleviate the terrific thirsts that accumulate between meetings, everyone wants to get back in the old outfit just like they did in the old days. Now in their soberer moments, when they haven't had one can of ale, let alone ten or twelve, they know darn well they couldn't carry a pack across the street, even in a taxi and that's the reason why they want to get a job that isn't too tough, such as maybe acting as roof watchers for the Old Howard.

ALBERT O. KNOX, the treasurer, WIN LAUFF, the junior vice, BILL WARLEY, the senior vice are also looking for information. All of them can play a mean game of blackjack, and showdown poker if anyone is inquiring about their qualifications.

If this writer was Walt Winchell he would begin this paragraph by saying, "What YD veteran at Manchester forgot his wife and went home without her at the last convention?" P.S. We won't hear the rest of that story until next year at Springfield.

We wonder how Charlie Bailey made out with his sugar tests in the lobby of the Carpenter. He is really anxious to know. John Hough, Tommy Mayhew, George Ray, Fred Knight, Ray Pennock, Wendell Clough and a couple of other guys were all yelling at the same time. "Remember that night at Toul?" while I was trying to peck out a story with the hunt and find system for the Boston *Post*.

Wonder if Cowboy JIM SULLIVAN stayed with his buttermilk diet right up to the end. Nothing personal Jim but who was that bottle we seen you sneaking up the elevator with on the final night of the convention after the parade.

Buttermilk? Oh, yeah.

Our new officers are WILLIAM WARLEY, East Foxboro, first vice; WILLIAM M. LAUF, Norfolk second vice; WARREN CARBERG, West Medway, secretary; ALBERT O. KNOX, East Foxboro, treasurer; PAUL WALSH, sergeant-at-arms, Foxboro, and MYRON PEABODY, East Foxboro, chaplain.

—WARREN CARBERG.

HAVERHILL

Commander: Roy Wightman
4 So. Kimball St., Bradford, Mass.
Secretary: Ballard Crockett
2 Clinton St., Haverhill, Mass.

A motorcade of five cars left the Dugout recently for a chapter meeting at the summer camp of State Treasurer FRANCIS LYNCH, Country Pond. While the business meeting was in progress Cook GOYETTE and kitchen police J. D. COMEAU concocted a fish chowder. No one knows how many fingers had been in it but it was noticeable that everyone called for seconds. The Knights of the Round Table then assembled. Refreshments, yes.

We participated in Church Memorial services with other patriotic bodies. ROY WIGHTMAN led the outfit and S.V. Mrs. Mattie Greenleaf headed the ladies. The speaker's subject was the sins of liquor and gambling, etc. and as Sister THIBAULT of Salem would say, "if the coat fits." We didn't bat an eyelash. This isn't meant as blasphemy but sometimes I wonder if we vets who have been outside of town limits haven't gathered a broad outlook. On Memorial Day our commander was invited up with the big shots to the reviewing stand so S.V. PERRY TARLETON led the outfit giving columns east and west in true artillery fashion.

In an auxiliary effort to "sweeten" the kitty, every member was commissioned to raise one

dollar by various means, which was done by all. But it is worthy of mention that Sgt.-at-Arms Mrs. Fannie Crockett (Past President, Lorraine Aux. VFW) turned in over $34.00 which won a rising vote of thanks but the men would have made it "three tigers."

June, the month when thoughts of young men turn to . . . SV PERRY TARLETON with Florence celebrated their third wedding anniversary and are still honeymooning. Perry is a cowboy in his own right. He has owned his string of thoroughbreds showing at State Fairs and at Myopia, too. How he kicked when his C. O. put him on the guns to round out his education for a commission. He kicked like a mule and went back to his "hosses."

The chapter thanks Mrs. Leona Flanagan for the gift of a typewriter. This is especially appreciated by the holder of the "thankless" job. Guess who.

Welcome to our new members since last issue, JEREMIAH V. LYNCH, A 102 FA; ROY WADE, Supp Co. 101 FA; LOUIS F. BUSSELL, F 104 Inf.; JOHN J. BUTLER, F 104 Inf.; ROBERT D. HURLEY, A 102 FA; and the re-ups are FRANK MAHONEY, LEO JOLLIKER, WILLIAM WOOD, CHESTER BROWN, FRED W. DANFORTH, MARTIN GALVIN, FRANK E. WELCH, PATRICK HUGHES, WILLIAM GORDON, CHARLES BRINDAMOUR, JOHN ODIORNE and ARTHUR W. FLANDERS (see his YD advt.) The meeting nights during July and August, fourth Tues. eve at Dugout.

State Vice Commander HARRY PLUFF has sponsored a movement which will have a far reaching effect on our community and our chapter. The "Groveland" bridge is to be rebuilt in the near future (we hope) and, he asserts, should be named as the GENERAL EDWARDS BRIDGE. State Senator Frank D. Babcock is to be contacted as to proceedure and advice. Mr. Babcock is one public official who is ready at all times to go anywhere for community service.

Convention Glimpses . . . Waiting for band . . . Chief WIGHTMAN leading . . . PERRY TARLETON enjoying the kiddies . . . Bertha Welch dancing with Ohio . . . Lillian Seymour's little general . . . HARRY PLUFF makes a detour . . . The Powers quintet . . . BEN JAMES dancing with Haverhill . . . LILLIAN BRINDAMOUR waving a check . . . Dad GALVIN meets the boys . . . Anne Pluff perfect hostess . . . ARTHUR HENDERSON on the wagon . . . LOUIS BUSSELL looking lonesome . . . O who used our room . . . Florence Tarleton does boomps-a-daisy . . . JIM CULBERT on the sidelines . . . that pint in the parade . . . FRANK WELCH and his bazooka . . . the Juniors and the hand they got . . . FLOYD STAPLES no fishpole . . . WILFRED CROTEAU from N'York . . . CLYDE NORTON the noisy . . . ERNEST METEYER fun and frolic . . . FRANCIS LYNCH telling the town . . . DAVE SKINNER gets acquainted . . . ERNEST GOODWIN color-guard . . . Cowboy "SULLIVAN" on stilts . . . JOE SEYMOUR red-led with rifle . . . Mattie Greenleaf, personality plus . . . AUSTIN APPLEBY rates outgoing salute . . . Memory is hazy, all others, excuse please.

Did you ever see a dream walking? Well, our chapter had several in the convention pee-rade. Two U. of N. H. girls, Mary Spicer and Mary Pluff, were chosen from this outfit to lead our own State Department. Sure were appealing to the naked eye. On good authority, visions come in fours, so there was Caroline Lamb, dimples and all, heading the baton unit and Mary Hamilton leading our famous Glee Club. And you didn't need any pink elephants to be fascinated either.

WALTER SWAP who came back a first looey in the 101st Ammunition Train is laid up at Benson's Hospital, Haverhill, and any card or call would be well received. Sharp rock, blowout, fini.

How did YOU come thru the holiday?

—B. CROCKETT.

Haverhill Auxiliary

The past few weeks we have really shown people the YD. Memorial Day, we took part in the parade and Memorial services in Haverhill in the morning and then after lunch we went with the Chapter to Hampstead, N. H. for Memorial services and parade.

Then came the Convention and "Cowboy" JIM SULLIVAN ably taken off by Lillian Brindamour and Ruth Meteyer won $10.00 in the parade Friday night. Several of us enjoyed the Ball at Manchester also.

Our Baton team who made their first appearance at Manchester has received several invitations since then.

The baton team has been the means of stirring up interest in a drum corps. Several girls not in the team and the boys who are growing out of the Glee Club want one. A committee has been appointed by the Chapter to work with the Auxiliary to make plans. Sr. Vice-pres. Mattie Greenleaf, Historian Lillian Brindamour and

Trustee Catherine Hamilton are the Auxiliary members on the committee.

We have initiated two new members: Mrs. Annie Manning, wife of William Manning; and Victoria Vincent, wife of Dewey Vincent; and have two more who have beeen elected to membership, Mrs. Ruth Lynch, wife of Jeremiah V. Lynch; and Mrs. Mary Hughes, wife of Patrick P. Hughes; also two applications under investigation.

Sally Hart, who was stricken ill from overwork and the heat at Manchester, is out again. She had put in a lot of time with the Baton team and prepared the float entered by the Chapter in the parade. She planned it as a surprise for the Chapter.

A vote of thanks goes to Caroline Lamb for the work in drilling the Baton Team. Also to Catherine Hamilton and Annie Pluff for the work making the uniforms.

—F. L. T.

LYNN
Commander: Perley Knight
Secretary: Christian Schacht
197 Adams St., Malden, Mass.

Lynn still carries on during hot weather — meetings are well attended, monthly smokers are packed and our big membership drive is under way. With 167 already in our Commander, PERLEY KNIGHT has just ordered the gang to attack and appointed the following staff for drive starting July 17th to September 2nd.

Majors—CLAUDE HOAG, SVC, EARL BAILEY, JVC. Captains—A. RAYMOND DOUCETTE, WALTER SMITH, CHRISTIAN SCHACHT, Team 1; EUSTIS GRIMES, ROYAL THOMAS, GUSTAVE JOHNSON, Team 2. Each captain is to pick three men and the team getting most members will be rewarded with suitable prize. We are going to take that trophy away from Hartford this year.

Our annual outing will be held some time the latter part of August, probably the 24th.

Our Junior Drum Corps has made several appearances and made a fine showing. HARRY MOORE has done a splendid job with the youngsters who were completely outfitted by the Chapter. They will organize and operate on their own from now on.

On July 29th our regular smoker takes place and will be in charge of CLAUDE HOAG, GUS JOHNSON and MUGGINS BAILEY. If you're near Lynn visit with us any Tuesday evening.

Our new Chateau Thierry Club is growing fast, with DICK HENNESSEY and MIKE GAROFANO the leaders. —RAY DOUCETTE.

MARLBOROUGH
Commander: Edgar Labossiere
47 Pleasant St., Marlborough, Mass.
Secretary: Harry E. Sherman
52 Neil St., Marlborough, Mass.

Meeting of Marlborough Chapter held May 27 at 7.30 P.M. at Legion Hall. The newly installed Commander LABOSSIERE presiding.

Minutes of previous meeting accepted. Letter from Mayor Michael Cronin inviting the Chapter to take part in the Flag Day exercises. Commander LABOSSIERE and Past Com. LESSARD and SHERMAN attended the meeting at City Hall and Com. Labossiere was placed on the Advisory committee and Past Com. Sherman appointed chairman of Band and Jr. Drum Corps. Drill team exhibitions, on Flag Day June 14. Chapter to turn out May 30, with other Veteran organizations.

Membership drive to start immediately. Committee, PC ALPHONSE LESSARD, chairman, Com. LABOSSIERE, PC SHERMAN, CHARLES WEBBER, WM. DELANEY, LOUIS LACROIX, CHESLEY MCKENZIE.

Delegates elected to National Convention in Manchester, N. H., PC ALPHONSE LESSARD, Com. EDGAR LABOSSIERE, PC HARRY E. SHERMAN and Comrade CHESLEY MCKENZIE.

Letters of thanks to be sent the V.F.W. and Legion Posts for the use of their halls for our past two meetings. Discussion on Service Officer for Chapter, and Comrade CHESLEY MCKENZIE was elected to that office.

A Past Commander's Lapel Button is to be purchased and presented at a near date to Past Commander ALPHONSE LESSARD. Commander LABOSSIERE presented the first Commander HARRY E. SHERMAN with a PC Lapel Button. Two new members were admitted at this meeting. The following are elected to office and were installed by the State Commander JOHN SULLIVAN.

Commander, EDGAR LABOSSIERE; Vice Commander, ARTHUR J. MOREL; Secretary, HARRY E. SHERMAN, P.C.; Treasurer, LOUIS LACROIX; Chaplain, HECTOR DUFAULT; Historian, CHARLES WEBBER; Trustees, PAUL HADLEY, MICHAEL CAVANAUGH, WILFRED MORIN.

Chapter will start a membership drive in the near future also will make plans for an Auxiliary. —H. C. SHERMAN.

SPRINGFIELD
Commander: Dennis Brunton
42 Ranney St., Springfield, Mass.
Secretary: Roy M. Coons
51 Elmdale St., W. Springfield, Mass.

The secretary apologizes to the Chapter for slipping up on the DOINGS last month. No alibi to offer. At this writing the Chapter's membership is well along, with a lot of new faces attending the meetings. In the month of May the Chapter had its two regular meetings along with two special meetings.

The Chapter had a very nice turn out for Memorial Day, and after the parade a lunch and refreshments was had by all who attended. Comrade MALEY and his committee did a very nice job and a lot of thanks to the Auxiliary for the lunch.

The Chapter banquet which was held Saturday night in Manchester, N. H. was well attended by members and their wives and a good time was had by all. I will say this for the Springfield Chapter that we have within 2 AAA waiters. They are Comrades BEACH and ISAACS who did a swell job.

Memorial services were held Sunday, June 14, Father's Day at the General Edwards cemetery. Former Mayor Raymond Cowing of Westfield was the principal speaker. Placing of the wreaths by Past Com. THOMAS DEE and Mrs. Catherine Crokan, president of the Auxiliary. The line of march was headed by Commander DENNIS J. BRUNTON. Next, was massed colors with the Spanish War veterans holding the place of honor, followed by the YD Drum Corps, Chapter and Auxiliary. Next was West Springfield Jr. Aux. Drill Team Post 207 A.L., Jewish War Veterans and Drum Corps, Catherine Hogan's Cadets Post 21 A. L., British War Vets and the Canadian Legion and Drum Corps.

Benediction was given by Rev. Robert Pierce, World War chaplain of the 26th Div. The honors for this affair goes to comrade CROKAN, chairman and his committee of comrades DEE and JACQUES.

The boys from this Chapter have a lot of hard work to look forward to next year and it is not a one man's job. It means that every member of the Chapter will have his part to do. So, Comrades, let's put our shoulders to the wheel and give it a rolling start towards the best convention the YD buddies have ever had. I know that it can be done. So, to a bigger and better convention in 1942 is the slogan of the Springfield Chapter.

The Chapter was glad that the boys from the drum corps won first prize in the Horrible Parade at Manchester. Great going boys.

The Unsolved Mystery—Who let the air out of MALEY's tire at the last State Dept. meeting in Milford.

The Chapter wishes Comrade EGAN who is now in Newington Hospital a speedy recovery and hope that it won't be long before he is back with the boys.

Our annual lawn party with Chairman ED MALEY will be well under way by the time this issue goes to press. (How about a circus Ed). Comrade "BUCK" GREER is the proud owner of a new home located in West Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. can be seen working from morn to night. "Goodbye Westfield" — "Hello West Springfield." The boys wish you both good luck.

It was midnight, Friday, in the lobby of the Cadillac Hotel when a voice broke loose singing "Who Stole My Girl." I wonder who it could be? Ask BOB PHELPS. Everything happens to poor Bob, as the paymaster where Bob is employed thought. The YD convention lasted two weeks and sent his check to Manchester the following week also.

Regular meetings are being held the first and third Friday of each month.

— ROY M. COONS.

YD Auxiliary — Springfield

The regular monthly meeting of the YD Auxiliary was held Monday evening, May 19th at the home of Mrs. Ann Valentine. 23 members were present.

Mrs. Irene Coons reported that the new uniforms would be ready for Convention. Springfield, do your stuff.

Mrs. Veronica Chapman was chairman for Memorial Day Luncheon and the Lawn Party Committee, assisted by members of the Unit. There is always plenty of work for everyone and a good time too.

It was voted to send some underprivileged child to a summer camp for one week. Mrs. Crokan to select the child.

Get the old crochet hooks out girls. Members are meeting with Mrs. Avis Beach Friday evening to make afghan squares.

Mrs. Irene Maley and Mrs. Margaret Heber

assisted Flower Chairman, Mrs. Edith Lefeave, in decorating graves for Memorial Day.

The next meeting will be held June 23rd at the home of Mrs. Mary Brunton. A supper to precede the regular business meeting.

—GLADYS S. GREER.

WORCESTER

Commander: Fred A. Jones
4 Tatnuck Terrace, Worcester, Mass.
Secretary: Clyde O. Elliott
8 Newbury St., Worcester, Mass.

Well, now that the convention is over for this year at least here's hoping that the new National Commander has a very enjoyable year, and also has the support of all of the comrades in the organization. He is to be congratulated on his success, and like all National Commanders he will be looked up to for leadership and advice. Of course the boys in Worcester are sorry that their candidate was not the winner but nevertheless they are in back of the organization 100%, and are going to continue to work for the betterment of this association. The summer season is now in full swing so that the news from here will probably be brief for awhile. The most important item is to the effect that we buried our last G.A.R. veteran here last Sunday. He was an Honorary member of this chapter so that this chapter made a very good showing at the funeral. There is one Civil War Veteran left but he never was a member of the G.A.R.

How many of the comrades of this organization knew that a member of this association was on the radio the other night broadcasting the big fight? BILL CORUM is to be congratulated on his work of that evening when he spoke between rounds of that affair. So here's our hats off and a nip for BILL CORUM. Visiting the hospitals with our comrades: TOM WHITE has been confined to St. Vincent's hospital for a check up; ARTHUR G. BROWN has returned home from a stay at Rutland.

Information wanted by TED NOYES on how to make grass grow in the sand on the beach. Wonder if the boys found out yet who the state commander of the American Legion is. It seems that there are possibly two other fellows. Sights seen at the convention—EMIL CHAMPIGNY selling fish at night for two bits a fish. WALTER SULLIVAN cooling his little doggies on the corner while talking to one of the natives, minus his shoes.

Hoping that everybody has an enjoyable vacation this summer and possibly seeing some of the boys in Milwaukee in September.

—C. O. E.

DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

Dep't. Commander: George R. Greer, Interlaken Rd., Stamford, Conn.
Dep't. Secretary: Clyde G. Beckwith, 12 Trotter St., Manchester, Conn.

State Meeting — Meriden — May 11

Meeting opened by Commander ALLEN at 4:15 P. M. Secretary's minutes of April meeting accepted with the correction that time limit on Phil Sanborn trophy has been extended to May 31. Treasurer absent and no report read.

Chapter Reports — Bridgeport, at least 17 signed up for new year, going to town this year, installation by team of chapter past commanders on May 12, visiting YDVA comrades welcome; Bristol, 96, all time high, chapter has never gone backward on membership, installation May 9 by PSC THOMPSON and PSC KINCAID; Hartford, 116 re-ups and 13 new members, fine membership committee, certain to beat last year, all YD men invited to memorial service at Soldiers Field at 6:30 P. M. on May 28 with Dept. Chaplain Rev. ROGER ANDERSON main speaker, 250 attended this service last year, more expected this year, installation on May 5 by NC APPLEBY assisted by EARL EMERY, past commanders were presented with PC Badges, also refreshments and movies, YDVA men invited to meetings first Monday each month at Danish Brotherhood Hall on White St.

Manchester, 37, meeting May 13; Meriden, 55, membership nearly double last year, expect big delegation out for Memorial Day parade; Middletown, 26, more than double last year; New Britain, report by Dept. Secretary that Captain ALFRED H. GRISWOLD was installed commander on May 3; New Haven, 54 re-ups and 6 new members, fine installation April 24, turning out for Memorial Day exercises and parade, buried a YD comrade (PERCY DORMAN) this past week, presenting colors to Boy Scout troop, dedicating

plaque at Yale Field; New London, 40, 6 prospects, all YDVA invited to installation and turkey supper at Mechanics Hall on Sunday afternoon May 18, have officially adopted girls' drum corps and taking them to Convention; Waterbury, Chaplain ANDERSON reports CHARLES LADUE elected commander, loss of armory rooms handicaps meetings, Seicheprey banquet held April 26, NC APPLEBY there; Willimantic, at least 40 re-ups, made money on monthly raffle.

Membership — SVC GEER reports new year shows 499 signed up. PSC HALL congratulates Meriden and Middletown for starting off this year so well.

Service — SAM MARCUS and CHARLES GEIBEL reported home from hospital, a YD man (HOULIHAN) of Waterbury died this week. Harry reports the following YD men at Newington: ANDREW ANASTASIO, LEONARD ARUTE, HAROLD BEAN, WM. T. DALEY, WM. F. DOEHR, JOHN R. FEEGAL, WM. GANEY, MYRON DICKENSON, THOS. R. HEALY, JAS. A. KENNEDY, ANTONIO LUSSIER, DAN D. MAHONEY, JAS. J. MARNELL, HENRY F. O'ROURKE, WM. H. SARGENT, ROBERT G. SLATTERY, JOS. A. WITHAM, JOS. YELLE. Secretary reports Dept. distribution of cigarettes at Newington last Wednesday in April, asks help for distribution on May 28 as Hartford men will be busy at Soldiers Field.

Dept. Raffle Tickets — PSC HALL says tickets out, wants chapters to report in to him on sales, requests motion that he may pay all or part of $15 printing cost from proceeds of sale. Motion made, seconded and carried that PSC HALL be allowed to use his discretion in this matter.

Dept. Trophy — Suggestion by PSC HALL that Dept follow ruling on Phil Sanborn trophy and extend time limit so that additional members signed before Convention count towards trophy. Motion by KOLINSKY, seconded by HALL and carried that contest for trophy close June 8. Question raised as to whether trophy purely on number of additional members since March 31, 1940 or on percentage. Secretary reads motion made at Middletown state meeting, which does not mention percentage. SVC GEER says let it stay as voted, not on percentage, larger chapters cannot win as they were all too far behind 1940 mark or have practically 100% at the present time, KOLINSKY says his original motion at Middletown intended percentage as a basis. To clarify the situation motion was made, seconded and carried that trophy be awarded on percentage basis.

Question raised on date of raffle drawing. Motion made seconded and carried that raffle date be changed from June 8 to June 15.

Motion by HIRSCH, seconded and carried that future May state meetings be on the third Sunday to avoid Mothers' Day.

Bills and Communications — Secretary asks approval for $4 for postage, bills not presented at March and April meetings and this amount will carry at $1 per month to and including June 15. It was so voted. Secretary reports letter to Governor Hurley thanking him for permission to state employees to attend YD Convention. Resolution sent to national executive committee meeting today at Boston that "A.E.F." be included in association name. Bulletin from MYRON NASON of Manchester Convention Committee giving closing dates on drum corps entries as May 26. Blanks given to Hartford and New London.

Flower Fund — Previous balance, $44.31, expended $13.40 for 50 cartons of cigarettes from A.R.C. purchased April 21, interest added 21c, collection $4.23, new balance $35.35. There are 35 cartons on hand at Newington.

Comrade MILLS of New London recites two poems: "Spirit of YD" and "Go Get the New Member". No wonder they made him chaplain.

KEN PARKIN of Meriden thanks Dept. and Hartford Chapter for cigarettes he received while a patient at Newington.

PSC HALL requests those present to buy Meriden raffle tickets and patronize refreshments as host chapter planned for 150 and only 50 answered roll call. New London as usual had largest membership present, 7.

Commander ALLEN speaks on need to start the year off in good shape for Captain GEER and talks on national defense, must back government, watch out for sabotage, war is certain, we have slapped the paper hanger in the face and he will not stop now until the whole world is at his feet unless we help to stop him, he has taken each country one at a time, if we wait until he has finished off everyone else he will turn on us, we must not be asleep, chapters should form committees on national defense, members should report things they know are against the public interest. Along this line PIMPARE reports turning the names of two communists over to the state

police and HIRSCH reports stopping the showing of German war propaganda pictures at a German society in New Haven.

— CLYDE G. BECKWITH,
State Secretary.

State Meeting — Middletown — June 15

Commander ALLEN opened the meeting at 4:00 P. M., an hour late as a last minute change in meeting place delayed arrival of those wandering in the outskirts. All regular business was omitted on motion by DIKE of Meriden, seconded by HIRSCH of New Haven, and carried.

Bridgeport asked for the July meeting to be held on Sunday, July 13th, at the VFW Hall on Stratford Avenue, and it was so voted.

New Haven asked for the August meeting to be held at YD Chateau, 72 Fairmont Avenue, on Sunday, August 10th, and it was so voted.

NC ELIOT CARTER and his Sergeant-at-Arms BILL MCNULTY, former Department Commander of N. H.; PNC AL HERMAN, PSC RAY KINCAID, PSC GARDINER HALL, Commander RAY TAYLOR, of Providence Chapter, and Commander EARL BERGIN of Kent County Chapter were offered seats on the platform, after which the gavel was turned over to NC CARTER who proceeded with the installation. Connecticut's new officers are:

Captain CLARENCE W. GEER, Commander, Bridgeport Chapter; BENJAMIN A. BOURN, Senior Vice Commander, Hartford Chapter; LAWRENCE LINDGREN, Junior Vice Commander, Windham County Chapter; CLYDE G. BECKWITH, Secretary, Manchester; JOHN O'CONNOR, Treasurer, New London; JOHN SCHULTZE, Sergeant-at-Arms, Bridgeport; WALTER BOARDMAN, Historian, Meriden; Rev. ROGER ANDERSON, Chaplain, Waterbury; JOSEPH KOLINSKY, Service Officer, Middletown; Major CHARLES SPRAGUE, Americanization, Bridgeport; HENRY J. DUBE, Judge Advocate, New Haven.

Following the installation Commander GEER assumed the gavel, introduced his officers, thanked the members for electing him, appreciates the great honor bestowed upon him, will do all possible to further YDVA in Conn. and throughout the land, asks for at least 1200 members and the full co-operation of every chapter and every member of all chapters.

NC CARTER presented the PSC badge to BILL ALLEN with a French salute. BILL thanks members for their help during the year, appreciates the value of friendships formed, enjoyed official duties, asks chapters to back Commander GEER, promises to continue to do all he can for YDVA.

PNC AL HERMAN spoke of the organization of the Dept. of New Haven, proud of our record, all New England states are organized now, remembers when we had 200 men at state meetings, pleads for members to come and put YD VA over this year, says Commander GEER is right kind of leader and we should back him to the limit.

Remarks were also made by PSC RAY KINCAID, Commander BERGIN, Commander TAYLOR. The men from R. I. invite members to Kent County installation at Arctic, not far from Scituate (use route 6 and 116), on Sat. eve., June 28, also to R. I. Dept. meeting. BILL MCNULTY congratulates Conn. Dept. on their new officers, thanks for the swell times he has enjoyed here, and hopes to see us many more times.

Comrade CRONIN of Middletown presented his dues and welcomed us to Moose Hall.

Father ANDERSON spoke of the difficult and trying days ahead and recalls the lessons of the last war.

Doc SPRAGUE states that association with YD men is an inspiration, says that the communists realize that the strength of the veteran organizations stand between them and control of America, we must guard against them from within and without.

NC CARTER mentions that his ancestors were in the New London massacre in the War of the Revolution, believes the rotation of the Convention from city to city has helped build YDVA, speaks of the national situation and war facing us again, our responsibility as veterans and as YD men, bring in members so that we can build an organization which will carry weight in national affairs, he is willing to do all he can for YDVA and YD men should do all they can for YDVA.

Attendance: All chapters present except four, 60 answered roll call, also 2 present from R. I. and 2 from N. H., Bridgeport had largest delegation with New Haven and Meriden also with fine delegations.

Raffle: Hartford, ticket No. 1512, fire extinguisher; Bristol, No. 5365, table lamp; New Haven Nos. 3687, 3677, 3713 win the desk set, pig, and YD plate.

Announcements: 1. Meriden apparently has won Dept. trophy with membership jump from 28 to 75, subject to check with National Hdq. as of June 8, 1941.

2. New Haven announces an all day outing on Sunday, June 29, at YD Chateau.

3. Springfield plans a big national defense celebration on July 4th and wants YDVA members from Conn. Dept. to attend in uniform.

Motion by SVC BOURN, seconded by HIRSCH, and carried, that secretary send a letter of thanks to the Convention Committee at Manchester, New Hampshire.

— CLYDE G. BECKWITH,
Secretary.

BRISTOL
"Mont Sec Chapter"
Commander: Arvid Anderson
16 Hillside Ave., Bristol, Conn.
Secretary: Fred W. Bauer
Unionville, Conn.

The installation of officers was held on Friday, May 9, at the YD Camp, Plainville, and the following officers were installed:

Commander, ARVID ANDERSON; Jr. Vice Commander, KARL CHASE; Sr. Vice Commander, CLARENCE SMITH; Secretary, FRED W. BAUER; Chaplain, FRED B. HYDE; Historian, RAYMOND KINCAID; Sgt.-at-Arms, EDWARD KOLOSKI; Trustee for 3 years, RALPH FOX; Color Guards, JOSEPH WAGNER, VINCENZO LABRIOLA. WILLIAM THOMPSON and RAYMOND KINCAID, our two Past Department Commanders were the installing Officers.

Our good friend Captain CLARENCE GEER of Bridgeport the new Dept. Com.-elect was with us, also the Commander and friends of the Plainville V.F.W. were present.

The boys were glad to learn that GEORGE C. GRAHAM was made the new Fire Chief of Bristol. George was a Co. D man. They were also glad to learn that the honored job of Police Chief went to GEORGE ROHE, who also served in D Co. of the 102nd, but is a member of the Terryville YD Chapter and is Chief of Police of that town.

Membership? Bristol is in a class by itself, 92 paid-up members, about every YD man in the city of Bristol signed up.

The three new members are DOUGLAS HOPKINS of Hartford, who served in Co. D; DEWEY TOUTECHE also a Co. D man, who now resides in Bronx, N. Y., and JOHN H. MALOY, who served in C Co., 102nd Machine Gun Batt., who is working in Rocky Hill Hospital.

— FRITZ BAUER.

MERIDEN
Commander: Walter F. Knox
74 Bradley Ave., Meriden, Conn.
Secretary: Clarence A. Roys
87 North Pearl St., Meriden, Conn.

We held our regular meeting for May at the Legion Home and with 20 members present. It was a good live meeting, too. A program of activities is now starting which promises big things — but it's up to us as members to deliver the goods.

After watching other YD chapters grow and prosper, we feel we'd like to do as well, at least. So, it was voted that the following committee, named by WALT KNOX, look into the possibilities of acquiring a few acres of land for a clubhouse, and picnic and outing grounds: RUEDE, BOGUCKI, SERVICE and DIKE. Toward the end of raising some dough for purchase or lease of land, a committee was appointed by WALT KNOX to get started on a big benefit dance. Here's the committee: LECK, SEMRAU, CUNNEEN, BOARDMAN and BRUENN. Also we are now selling tickets for a raffle on four Waltham wrist watches. We'll put all these things over, but gang, we must have your 100% cooperation.

There is considerable interest in YD uniforms, about 15 or 20 having stated they intended to buy them. If any more of you want uniforms, get in touch with WALT KNOX. He knows of a place in town where you can buy one on almost your own terms.

BUCK ADAMS with a swell coat of tan has just returned home from Florida, and expects to be back at work on June 1.

JACK FEEGEL is on the road to recovery. We saw him at Newington recently, and he acts and looks fine.

Lastly but by no means least, a word on membership. Vice Com. MARTY CUMMINGS announced at the meeting that there were 49 paid memberships. Under MARTY's able direction the drive for new members has really shown results. Now hold your breath and listen to this — at this writing, May 27, '41, MARTY tells me there are 68 paid memberships, and it looks as though we'll go to the Convention with 75 reported as paid. If Meriden does not win that Philip N. Sanborn Trophy, or something, there just ain't no justice. We're too modest and retiring to brag, but no fooling now isn't a membership increase of over 100% pretty darn good?

NEW HAVEN
Commander: Fred B. Hirsch
139 Foster St., New Haven, Conn.
Secretary: Henry J. Dube
265 Gorham Ave., Hampden, Conn.

A paid up membership of 52 as compared with membership of 11 or 12 at the same time last year indicates that at long last New Haven Chapter is going to do something about membership. At the business meeting on May 8 Commander FRED HIRSCH said the city would be broken down into zones and one of the chapter officers made responsible for each zone. Our face has been very red because of the way we have been outstripped by chapters with far less potential members.

JUSTIN P. "MIDGE" MINOR, formerly of Co. D, 102nd Machine Gun Battalion was elected to membership.

ANDREW ANASTASIO was reported by Chaplain RAY BUELL to be still a patient at Newington. HAROLD GRAY, of Milford, has been a patient at St. Raphael's Hospital but is now at home convalescing. CHARLIE GEIBEL, of the Bridgeport Chapter, who had a leg amputated at New Haven Hospital is back in circulation.

Past Commander FRANK P. LEE, who by the way has been retired as a city fireman, reported on the new money raising efforts of the Ways and Means Committee. A 19 day cruise to the tropics is the first award and 11 cruises altogether will be given away.

The Commander thanked the volunteers who had cut brush and otherwise cleaned up the seven acres of grounds about the Chateau. The 30 foot pole for the YD colors was reported as on the grounds by Secretary HENRY J. DUBE. It was through Henry's efforts the Telephone Co. donated the pole.

LEN MALONEY, reporting for the Activities Committee, said a sculptor had been assigned to the Yale Field memorial and sketches were expected soon. A slab of Tennessee marble will be placed on the brick wall surrounding Lapham Field, the Yale baseball diamond, to mark the organization there in 1917 of certain units of the YD.

Commander HIRSCH reported a profit of $32 from the Siecheprey dinner. Fred has plans for two outings on the club grounds this Summer. It was voted to contribute $10 to the YD Junior Drum Corps for its uniform fund. The youngsters will hold a bid-dance in the Chateau on May 9.

The death of PERCY DORMAN, formerly of Co. B, 102nd Infantry, was reported. AL SMITH, HENRY DUBE, ALEC FLYNN, RAY CHARBONNEAU volunteered to act as pall bearers along with Commander HIRSCH. The Chapter will send flowers although DORMAN has never been a member.

MORRIS RUBIN was inducted recently as a trustee of Chapter 31, DAV. The outfit used our clubrooms for the installation. SAM GLASER has been upped to First Lieutenant at Camp Blanding where he is on duty with the 102nd Infantry. SAM is at present at the army school at Fort Benning, Ga.

Letters from our Senators and Congressmen anent Congressman Larry Connery's efforts to secure recognition for the trench fever volunteers were read. All assured cooperation.

The renewal of the lease on the Chateau and the possibility of purchasing the property featured the July business meeting of New Haven Chapter. Commander FRED HIRSCH and all officers were present but only a handful of others turned out.

Renewal of the lease assures possession of New Haven's fine chateau until March, 1942. At that time we will either have to buy or seek new quarters. Past Commander FRANK LEE recommended purchase at the price originally agreed upon, but since upped by the owner by $2,000. Much will depend upon the success of our monthly cruise project.

Chairman STEVE BOMBILISKI reported attendance of 70 at the annual stag outing. The affair netted $72 for the chapter in addition to being a bang-up time. HENRY DUBE, JOE SCHURK, Commander HIRSCH and RAY CHARBONNEAU were on the committee.

Commander HIRSCH named Past Commander JOHN DILLON, FRANK BRADA and FRANK LEE as the membership eligibility committee. The following lapsed members were reinstated: JEREMIAH KNOWLTON, FARRINGTON LAY, DONALD OPPEL, WILLIAM HINCHEY, JOSEPH SANSI and JAMES COLEMAN. HINCHEY is out five bucks by not being present at the meeting. His number was drawn. CARL L. SCOTT of Bristol Chapter has transferred to New Haven.

Chaplain RAY BUELL reported JIMMY COOGAN as a patient in the Newington Hospital.

RAY CHARBONNEAU reported on the presenta-

tion of a flag to Boy Scout Troop No. 35 and the awards of Certificates of Meritorious Service to M. F. McGann, Dr. Thomas Preston, Henry J. Dube, William Scholl, Roger A. Connolly, George Keeley. The affair took place on June 21 before a good crowd.

Commander Hirsch commented on the splendid floral piece sent by the chapter to the funeral of Major Tom Bannigan, late commandant at Newington. The chapter was well represented at the exercises and Past National Commander Len Maloney was an honorary pall bearer.

The post of sergeant-at-arms was declared vacant and Felix Sparvell was unanimously elected to the office. He was inducted by PNC Maloney.

Past Commander Lee, Chairman of Ways and Means, reported a net of $108. from the June cruise drawing. Commander Hirsch gave a lengthy financial statement and indicated that the outlook is bright. Income from rentals is steadily increasing.

Commander Fred V. Hirsch received a pleasant surprise at the June business meeting of New Haven Chapter when about 50% of the paid-up membership turned up for the session. All the other officers were in attendance, too. Perhaps New Haven is finally going to get started toward assuming its proper place in the YD sun.

C. B. Wellburn, representing the United Service Organizations addressed the meeting on the present drive for funds in New Haven.

New members voted in were: Donald Oppel, William S. Hinchey, Farrington H. Lay and Jeremiah Ace Knowlton, all of Branford, and former members of Battery E, 103rd Field Artillery and John A. McNeill, formerly of Co. C, 102nd Infantry. Senior Vice Steve Bomboliski was responsible for the four new members from the old "Kaiser's Own."

Junior Vice Al "Zipper" Smith reported on the excellent convention at Manchester. All who attended were lavish in their praise of the Manchester cops. (Aside: not like Providence, eh?). Bob Dudley and Steve Bomboliski reported that the flagpole at the Children's Fresh Air Camp had received a new coat of paint.

Roy Clements and Andy Anastasio were reported as patients at Newington. Welling K. Flint received the sympathy of the Chapter in the recent loss of his wife and A. Cavallaro on the death of his father.

Commander Hirsch reported that a flag and staff had been secured for the Box Shop Boy Scout Troop and would be presented on May 21. Certificates of Meritorious Service awarded at Manchester will be presented at the same time.

Past National Commander Len Maloney reported that an advance payment of $2,000 had been made to the sculptor on the Edwards statue.

Two events added to the color of New Haven Chapter activities in June. In one the Chapter Chateau was used as the setting for the "graduation" exercises for the first two YD first aid classes. Twenty-nine YD men and three city health inspectors received American Red Cross certificates at a dinner staged in honor of the two Red Cross instructors, Timothy Cronin, of Ansonia, and Raymond Frankel, of Derby. Marine clocks, suitably engraved were presented the two instructors, who for over three months gave their time and effort to teaching the YDers.

The second event was the presentation of the American flag and staff to Troop 35 of the Boy Scouts, sponsored by the National Folding Box Co., and the award of six Certificates of Meritorious Service approved at the Manchester convention. Each affair drew a substantial number of YD men but not the number that should have turned out.

The Red Cross first aid venture is part of the New Haven Chapter's national defense program. While the classes comprised members of both the YD post of the American Legion and the Chapter it is recognized officially by the Chapter as a part of its contribution toward the present crisis. The defense battalion of YD men is in the health and medical section of the New Haven Defense Council and is headed by Henry Noder.

Speakers at the first aid dinner were: Dr. Joseph Linde, City Health Officer, Col. Jos. T. Marinan, representing the Defense Council, Clayton Shores, Supervisor of Instructors for the Red Cross, Commander Noder, Chapter Commander Fred Hirsch and Messrs. Cronin and Frankel. The committee was comprised of Henry Dube, Ray Kenney and Com. Hirsch.

The flag presentation and award of certificates of merit took place outdoors on the spacious grounds of the Chateau. Past National Commander Len Maloney made the presentation speech and the flag was accepted by Frank

Brown, box shop superintendent. The scouts put on an exhibition for the Chapter.

LEN also presented the YD certificates to Dr. THOMAS PRESTON, ROGER A. CONNOLLY, GEORGE B. KEELEY, HENRY J. DUBE, WILLIAM SCHOLL and ROBERT BOLL. Refreshments and luncheon were served under the direction of the Club Steward, BARNEY WYNN. State Secretary CLYDE BECKWITH and National Historian JOHN GOSS, were the guests of the Chapter.

—L. J. M.

NEW LONDON

Commander: Earl B. Lyon
Lord's Point, Stonington, Conn.
Secretary: Maurice Healey
41 Washington St., New London, Conn.

On Sunday, May 18th, New London installed their newly elected officers in Mechanics Hall, New London, Conn. Officers elected are as follows: EARL B. LYON, Commander; JOSEPH WOOD, Sr. Vice Commander; ERNEST MILLS, Jr. Vice Commander; "Pat" HEALEY, Secretary; HARRY KENT, Treasurer; ARTHUR WINSLOW, Chaplain; CHARLES PILLAR, Historian; ROY WILBUR, Sgt.-at-Arms; AL ST. GERMAIN, KENNETH WEBB, JOHN COUCH, Trustees.

A hot New England Turkey Dinner was served and wet refreshments poured later. National Commander AUSTIN APPLEBY was with us along with his shadow, "Cowboy" JIM SULLIVAN — and were we glad to see them regardless of the fact they pulled in late and missed the start of the show. Comrade EMORY tagged along with AUSTIN and JIM and we in New London hated like the dickens to see these fine YD men leave office as we are going to miss them and the fine co-operation they have always given us here in New London. At this installation we had representatives from every veteran body in this section along with all of their auxiliaries and it makes us feel here in New London that we have at last reached our rightful place in the hearts of other veteran bodies as well as all other civic and patriotic organizations. A lot of this credit should go to Past Commander AL ST. GERMAIN who has worked faithfully in building up this fine feeling.

So New London starts in high gear with a very fine body of officers and a determination to forge ahead and really accomplish those things that will build up a really fine chapter. We are going to receive the full support of all the outgoing officers and team work is our slogan for the year.

At the last regular meeting New London voted to adopt a newly organized girls fife and drum corps. The committee in charge of this corps are as follows: Commander EARL LYON Chairman, WM. MCLAUGHLIN Manager. This corps is being led by Miss Edith Droney who has been state champion for some years and all the girls have had considerable experience as members of other corps in and around New London. The corps will be taken to Manchester Convention and are uniformed in YD blue and make a very fine appearance. A benefit drawing is now going on to help pay for new instruments and balance due on uniforms and it looks as if New London will be right out there this year in true YD fashion.

Plans to equip our club rooms with new drapes, pictures and furniture are well on their way and when final arrangements have been completed New London will have a very cozy place to hold meetings and informal get-togethers.

Five new members have been taken in recently and the chapter is shooting for ten more new members in the next sixty days.

Commander EARL LYON is out working on a new idea that should go over with a bang and which also should receive the support of the entire State Department. Earl is talking about a monthly publication, printed at New London, called "The Yankee Clipper," and is trying to enlist the support of other chapters in putting the idea over for the good of all Connecticut Chapters. The plan is in the process of being formed so it can be started as soon as possible and should be the medium of cementing the relationships of all the departments. News of state meetings and data covering all the different chapters and their activities and general news of interest in Connecticut will form the monthly sheet and will also include Civil Service data, hospital news and matters of interest from all angles.

— "Pat" HEALEY, Sect.

STAMFORD

Commander: Ray MacNicholl
R.F.D. No. 1, Stamford, Conn.
Secretary: Vincent Callahan
110 Glenbrook Rd., Stamford, Conn.

June 14th was Tercentenary Parade Day in Stamford, marking the close of the Town's 300th anniversary celebration, and of all the

units in line none received more generous applause than our local YD unit. Preceded by that excellent musical organization, the Junior YD Drum and Bugle Corps of Hartford and swelled in numbers by numerous comrades from Hartford, Norwalk and New York the uniformed Stamford YD Chapter was easily the top attraction of the Veterans Division. Our thanks to all who helped put this over, particularly to those talented YD youngsters from Hartford. "Not once did we have to change step," said one comrade—which perhaps is a record for an artilleryman!

All other Chapter activities functioning nicely with some dough still in the bank.

22 of our 44 members have paid for the year. Meetings well attended and lively—27 at the last one held at JOE KEEFE's dugout.

JOE KEEFE, despite his long illness never tires of doing something nice by his comrades and last meeting presented Past Com. RIICKERD with a bottle of liquor and Commander MCNICHOLL with a box of cigars. Both were generously passed around by the recipients.

BILL DIPPEL, FRANK PAGE, HAROLD RITCHEY and BEN PITMAN all able to take a little nourishment once more.

Chapter now incorporated, thanks to comrade FRANK RICH, one of Stamford's leading attorneys and also to HARRY DUNN and GUY RICHARDSON who served on the committee.

BARNEY CLARK, Norwalk, and RALPH CLUFF, New York, were at recent meetings. Always glad to greet comrades from out of town. BLAKE ROBSON of Bethel (40 miles away) comes down regularly to Chapter meetings. How's that for YD spirit?

National Conventionnaires report a good time. Stamford will be after one of these before many years, I'm thinking. Best regards.

—V. C.

WATERBURY
"P. C. Vigneulles Chapter"
Commander: Charles P. LaDue
Secretary: Walter L. Bolan

"Today we enjoy the order and peace of a free nation but we cannot see what lies ahead. Certainly we are perilously close to war; it may be a matter of weeks, perhaps only a few days," FREDERICK W. ROWE, Past Commander of P.C. Vigneulles, YD Veterans' association, said at the installation ceremony of the chapter and its auxiliary Saturday evening, May 24. "But whatever course we may be called upon to follow," he asserted, "we may rest assured that the veterans of the last war will be expected to have a large part in the undertaking."

Mr. Rowe said, "We cannot sit back, content with our past; we must be alive to the present and prepared for tomorrow. The best preparation we can make is to build up our organization to its maximum strength. I urge you to unite and strive to make P.C. Vigneulles a synonym in Waterbury for courage, strength and security."

Mr. Rowe recalled the fact that the chapter was named after the halfway point in the St. Mihiel salient which the 102d Infantry, A.E.F. captured from the Germans on the night and morning of Sept. 12 and 13, 1918. The Chapter was organized in 1919 and has functioned continuously since then. Mr. Rowe recalled the "interested and unselfish citizens who gave us strength of their backing in the days of our infancy as a post. I refer to the late John Sherwood, Judge Abner Hayes, Peter J. Shea, William H. Sandland and Judge John McGrath, Wilfred Schlegel, John Barr and a host of others who were willing to help us when we called upon them. These were indeed our friends and they stood by us in later days when the bonus became a national issue and some people tried to forget that there had been a war.

"In the intervening years, many of those who came back with us from France have passed on from our ranks. Some have moved away from Waterbury, but many have passed to their eternal rest. We miss them for none has stepped in to fill their places and none ever can. Each year our ranks grow thinner and the day is not far distant when a new set of veterans will march in the parades and take our place in the public eye, just as we supplanted the veterans of the Civil and Spanish Wars.

"Last month we held our annual banquet and celebrated the Battle of Seicheprey. Now the village of Seicheprey in itself wasn't worth fighting over, just a maze of ruined houses and stinking trenches. In the scheme of war it was only a minor incident. But in the minds of New England men and women that battle looms great because it proved once again the courage, initiative and fighting ability of New England's sons. We have reason to be proud of the traditions of the 26th division, A.E.F. and of the men who lead us."

Mr. Rowe was assisted in the induction ceremonies by William Aylward and seated the following officers of the YD Chapter: Commander, CHARLES P. LADUE; senior vice commander, NICHOLAS J. MUCCINO; junior vice commander, IRVING BISNOV; chaplain, CLARENCE RICHMEYER; secretary, WALTER L. BOLAN; treasurer, HOWARD E. HICKCOX.

Mrs. Ceil Kerins was installing officer for the auxiliary, assisted by Mrs. Marie Bolan, both past presidents, and the officers seated were: President, Mrs. Rose Downs; first vice president, Mrs. Viola Woodcock; second vice president, Mrs. Anna Schell; secretary, Mrs. Kerins; treasurer, Mrs. Bolan; chaplain, Mrs. Florence Schaeffer; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Alice Deady; flag bearer, Mrs. Florence Martin; historian, Mrs. Helen Brophy; trustees, Mrs. Lillian Blanchard and Mrs. Edith Giordano.

The incoming auxiliary president and the outgoing officers were presented gifts including some from the auxiliaries of the D.A.V., Jewish War Veterans, Italian-American World War Veterans and the Lithuanian Legion auxiliary.

Com. LADUE announced that the senior vice commander, N. J. MUCCINO had been appointed chairman of a membership drive and that plans are under way to stimulate interest among YD veterans in Waterbury. It is estimated that there are nearly 200 eligible for membership and an effort will be made to enroll many of them.

Com. LADUE also announced that an outing of the chapter and its auxiliary will be held June 29 at Fred Schell's ranch in Bethlehem and plans are being considered for another outing this summer at Hitchcock Lake.

WALTER BOLAN, chairman of the graves committee, announced that he and LEO J. PROVOST completed the decorating of 55 YD graves in local cemeteries in preparation for Memorial Day.

Col. William J. Shanahan spoke at length on the activities of the YD chapter during the past 18 months while he was commander and urged that the members turn out in goodly numbers for the Memorial Day parade.

—DICK SLATOR.

WILLIMANTIC
"Windham County Chapter"
Commander: Thomas Delaney
65 Fifth St., Norwich, Conn.
Secretary: Henry Pukallus
87 Smith St., Norwich, Conn.

The Convention has come and gone and those of our gang who attended are unanimous it was a swell success. It was a job well done. The local crew combined with New London for the parade and marched behind the latter's drum corps which is doing all right for itself. Organized only four months ago but with a majorette who knows her stuff the girls won third prize in the big parade on Saturday. Nice going and congratulations. Past Commander LINDGREN received one of those beautiful YD rings and LAPAN and Commander DELANEY received a Certificate. We are now planning for our summer activities for this outfit doesn't let up during the summer months. Suggest to our members who are laying back on their dues that they get these in at once. More news later. — G. H. H.

DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Dep't. Commander: Nathan D. Golden, 4000 Cathedral Ave., Washington

CHICAGO
Commander: Dana M. Hubbard
1402 Seward Ave., Evanston, Ill.
Secretary: Charles R. Fick
4528 No. Winchester Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Our Chapter is again showing lots of pep. Dues are beginning to come in. Past Commander ALLEN USHER had the club and ladies to the Paramount studios for a preview of one of the latest pictures. Our present Commander has been ill with a bad ear, but is regaining his hearing. P. M. ED. O'CONNELL is off the sick list and looks better than ever.

FRANCIS WRIGHT, 102nd Inf., we hear is at Hines Hospital. Eight members of the Chicago Chapter are going to pay him a visit Thursday afternoon.

Our Sgt.-at-Arms is very busy with his new business undertaking, at Ada and Lake St. Can't get away for a meeting.

August 17th the Club will hold a big and better picnic than ever before, rain or shine, at Pulaski Woods, Top of Hill.

At the Legion Convention in Milwaukee the Chicago Club of the YD will be host at a banquet. Let's hear how many are going to be

there? The banquet will be held at the Schroeder Hotel. From all the members present at the last meeting who O.K.-ed the meeting place, looks like we will now have a regular place to hold our meetings. You can get good things to eat at this place, also fine drinks, and a private room for our meetings. To prove the food is good P. M. KENTWORTZ ordered something that looked like fried eggs with brown gravy, then he tried to hide it all by covering it with grated cheese. After the meeting the members stayed around a bit to tip over some high and low ones, after giving the Secretary the Bronx for no news in the DOINGS. Every one went home happy.

A fine gathering for our July 8th meeting. All spent the July 4 holidays in a fine manner. Many of the members are on vacations. BILL KEYES had a job and could not attend. But called up later to see how we were doing. Bill sure is a fine YD man, plugging for it at all times. ED O'CONNELL has regained his health and looks and feels better than ever. ED MORRISSEY has promised a YD flag to each new member. So come and get it.

August 17th is the date for our picnic, mark your date now and don't forget. We have a very fine spot for a picnic. And hope the weather will give us a break this year. Notices for the picnic are ready for the mail now.

— C. R. F.

CLEVELAND
"Ohio Chapter"
Commander: Ralph L. Shaw
1820 Oakmont Rd., So. Euclid, Ohio
Secretary: Herbert Riehl
9418 Gibson Ave., Cleveland, Ohio

Chapter meeting, Sunday, 23 members present. Chapter was called to order by Acting Commander HOLLIS CHURCH. Several absentees, including Commander SHAW, Vice Commander O'CONNOR, Jr. Vice Commander LADE, Secretary FRED FLAHAVAN.

Comrade RIEHL acting as secretary, TED GONSALVES acting treasurer.

Reports from our investigating committee on Bingo, Soda Bar and dance club and D-4 private club license discussed. Soda Bar and D-4 license voted out, it is hoped now that the city of Cleveland will allow the Bingo operated organization to start up again, this being the case we voted to bring up any further means of income at a later date.

A vote was taken to attend Memorial Day exercises at the North Congregational Church, East Cleveland as the guests of American Legion Post 15, East Cleveland, carried. Patrol wagon and colors to be in march to the church from American Legion Hdq.

A vote to loan the Veterans of Foreign Wars our Patrol Wagon for poppy day sale turned down for lack of a driver.

Where is FLAHAVAN?

On Memorial Day our usual one-half hour program will be broadcast over W.H.K., this has been an annual custom for the past three years, broadcast from the Cleveland Mall in commemoration to our beloved Commander, "Daddy" EDWARDS and our comrades who have answered the call.

This program will be conducted by ELLIS VAN DER PYLE, Commander RALPH SHAW and our Chaplain ALBERT LAWLER. Last year we had a large turn out in spite of a heavy down pour, and it is hoped for a greater turn-out this year.

A vote to rescind $25.00 per man for the Manchester Convention, carried. This I will admit doesn't sound so good and it will have some bearing on the number of men attending the convention. However have hopes, there will be a delegation there, and from the list taken at the meeting we are sure of nine members attending. Due to our source of income being cut off on Bingo, there are no funds for the convention.

— FRANK E. CRAIG,
Historian.

The Ohio Chapter of the Y. D. V. A. held its regular monthly meeting on Sunday, June 15, at the Cleveland Athletic Club, Euclid Ave. at E. 12th St. This was the chapter's first meeting since it was compelled by circumstances to vacate its headquarters at 10519 Superior Ave. Our chief source of revenue had been derived from the operation of the YD Club of Cleveland at the Superior Ave. address. Without much warning, unceremoniously, and in a crusading spirit, Hizoner, the Mayor, ordered the club, together with many similar social clubs, closed tighter than a Scotchman's fist. Thus it was that we found the members of the chapter congregated in an alien environment. Counting noses, including the red ones, twenty-three members were present, a most gratifying attendance, considering the inclement weather outside.

The meeting opened with Commander RALPH SHAW bawling for his gavel, but all to no pur-

pose, as the acting secretary had unwittingly forgotten it. A what-to-do-now look passed over the commander's face when he learned the gavel was not be to had, as it is his traditional weapon of defense when conducting a meeting. Our meetings sometimes are scenes of heated debate and exchange of personalities bordering on actual hostilities. No wonder at all that the commander was so concerned about his gavel.

But to describe the meeting. Our principal thorn in the flesh is, of course, our numerous obligations, which FRANK CRAIG disposed of quickly by motioning that we pay them, but without stipulating in his motion the means of payment, whether by token money, fiat money or Confederate currency.

A welcome interlude in our discussion of business were the reports of HARRY SCHNELL and FRANK CRAIG on the Manchester convention. Newspaper clippings by the bale were passed around to the members, all with pictures and glowing accounts of convention activities. Most of us expressed real regret that the good people of Manchester had no opportunity to see our famous patrol wagon which we were obliged to keep at home because of our poverty.

The balance of the meeting was strictly business. HERBERT RIEHL was elected to succeed FRED FLAHAVAN as secretary, a committee was authorized to arrange for a basket picnic, and the treasurer was authorized to purchase leatherette covers for our colors. Next month we will meet at the Cleveland Athletic Club again.

— HERBERT RIEHL,
Secretary.

DETROIT

Commander: David Swartz
15815 Linwood St., Detroit, Mich.
Secretary: Charles H Smith
8114 Wetherby St., Detroit, Mich.

The July meeting was held at the home of PETE SADY.

Dinner was served on the lawn which was lighted for the occasion. As this was ladies night there were about 30 present. Mrs. Sady sure cooked up a swell feed and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all in my range of vision. In fact, Mrs. Jack Gittaud enjoyed the salad so well that she filled her lap full and shed cucumbers, lettuce and salad oil the rest of the evening.

Before the dinner, Pete's two little girls with some neighboring children put on a play for us. I don't know who enjoyed it the most, the kids or the spectators. It was a masterpiece especially when Ceres' chario (a red express wagon) disappeared in a cloud (around the corner of the furnace.) At the conclusion Commander SWARTZ presented the young minstrels with a whole dollar as an expression of appreciation for their entertainment. As dinner was served, PETE's brother, recently arrived from Cuba brought out a bottle of Baccardi Rum. At this evidence of iniquity running rampant, Parson DAVIS took possession of the bottle, and, heaping his plate with four portions sorrowfully retired to the basement to meditate. We later interrupted his meditation long enough to rescue the bottle, which happily was still one-third full (The Parson is slipping of late years). While this left very little to oil the pipes, the boys gathered round and lustily rendered some old Army favorites led by SAM ZUSSMAN. Later, Helen Brackett entertained at the piano aided and abetted by some sour harmony from the males (the ⅓ bottle had worn off.)

Anyhow, we want to express to Mrs. Sady, to Pete, his brother, and his children the appreciation of the gang for a swell evening.

—C. H. S.

Our first meeting under the leadership of "New Pappy" SWARTZ was a howling success. We met for dinner at the Cafe Madrid at 6.30 with fourteen present. Everyone enjoyed a good meal, particularly as they ordered from the regular menu and could suit their own taste.

After dinner DAVE called on each member around the table to sing, recite or just talk. Fortunately no one elected to sing, and the majority chose to take a serious vein for their talk (interspersed here and there with a Pullman car daisy.)

NORMAN SMITH, a newcomer to the Chapter had a honey of a fish story. We were more than pleased to have REN WHEAT with us, as REN is a very busy citizen and it is a real sacrifice for him to attend a meeting.

PETE SADY's brother, who until his recent arrival from Cuba, Pete hadn't seen since he was five years old, was a guest. Any relative of Pete's is always welcome.

Some of the regulars were unable to be with us due to the press of work demanded by the defense program. RALPH BENNETT was held overtime at the office. His absence was really noticeable as RALPH is one of the regulars. SAM ZUSSMAN's wife was banged up in an auto accident so Sam was also absent.

PARSON DAVIS will say grace before the meal and that should be inducement enough for a large turnout.

—C. H. S.

DENVER
"Rocky Mountain Chapter"
Commander: Albert W. Rockwell
1414 Marion St., Denver, Colo.
Secretary: Arthur G. Vetter
1205 Logan St., Denver, Colo.

Association of ideas, I guess, but wondered if the editor had ever read "Old Jules" by Mari Sandoz. It came out five or six years ago and won for her the Atlantic Monthly $5,000 award. She is now living in Denver. I have met her and like her a lot. And now for the report of our meeting last night.

In spite of the fact that dear old Denver has been jammed for the last few days with visiting Rotarians, we managed to find a table at our usual stampin' grounds—the Jewel Cafe, last night, June 16th for our regular monthly meeting. We fell a few short of our usual number, perhaps because of the fact that our meeting date was changed from Sunday afternoon to Monday night. At any rate, those of us who came had a fine time.

"ROCKY" just back from the state convention of the V.F.W. at La Junta, regaled us with a few tales of the "goings-on" there and also passed around for our approval his Past Dept. Commander's pin and let us have a "look-see" at his Past Dept. Commander's lapel button which he was wearing. While at La Junta he met CHARLES NELSON, a former YD'er who is now connected with the La Junta Tribune.

Those present were CARL JOHNSON, GOEDELMANN, VETTER, MORRIS, ROCKWELL and CHAPIN. My best to the gang. —A. VETTER.

NEW YORK
Commander: Elwin J. Cooney
105 - 31 - 91st Ozone Park, N. Y.
Secretary: Harold B. F. Lonergan
3961 - 10 Ave., New York City

The June meeting of the New York Chapter was held on Tuesday evening, the 24th, and once again a very large membership was present in the New England room of the Prince George Hotel. On a motion by Past Com. ED NELSON, seconded by MIKE GRIFFIN and passed the regular order of business was dispensed with. Commander ELWIN J. COONEY then introduced Mr. Bert Turkus, Assistant District Attorney of Kings County, Brooklyn, N. Y. who with District Attorney O'Dwyer is prosecuting "Murder Inc." Mr. Turkus spoke for over an hour, with a very amazing and shocking way this gang of killers have been working since the days of prohibition. This gang, with headquarters in Kansas City, covered the entire country. Some of the incidents recited by Mr. Turkus were hardly believable, nevertheless all gospel truth as compounded by the F.B.I. and other law enforcement officials throughout the country. At the conclusion of Mr. Turkus' talk, which by the way had everyone spellbound, a rising vote of thanks was given him by the Chapter.

Commander COONEY then read a telegram from Comrade PAUL NATHANSON of New York Chapter who will undergo a serious operation on Wednesday morning at the Bronx Veterans Hospital Base No. 81. A motion was then made by Secretary LONERGAN that the Chapter stand for two minutes in silent prayer for Comrade NATHANSON. Motion seconded and passed.

It is with sincere regret that New York Chapter announce the death of three of our Comrades, Captain MELBERT B. CARY, Jr. on May 27th., Comrade JOSEPH B. HANNERFIELD, 102 M. G. Co. in Bronx Hospital on May 17th and Comrade CLARENCE H. KNIFFIN in Bronx Veterans Hospital. Comrade KNIFFIN was a new member and was with the 102nd Infantry. His home was in Bridgeport, Conn.

Chapter Chairman for our Manchester Convention ED NELSON reported that the Executive Committee has acted favorably on holding our next convention the last week of June. This resolution of Washington Chapter was also favored by New York Chapter.

Past Commander Dept. of the U. S., ROBERT B. DICKSON, then presented the National Certificate of Merit to the following Chapter members: First V. C. RALPH A. TURGEON, JULIUS T. FEDEL, WILLIAM B. WRITER, WILLIAM C. MORFORD, BART W. KILEY, and last but not least, Commander ELWIN J. COONEY. A roaring applause greeting was given each recipient. BOB DICKSON then thanked the members for the wonderful help given National Headquarters during the past year by the chapter.

The Chapter was greatly grieved to learn of the automobile accident and injury to our Past National Commander AUSTIN B. APPLEBY and his Mrs. in Lawrence, Mass. while returning from the Manchester Convention.

Dr. Alfred E. Stearens, a classmate of our Captain JAMES T. POTTER was introduced and gave us an interesting talk on the hospital unit organized at his college, Andover, during 1917-18. ED WILSON then announced the New York Chapter closed the year with a paid-up membership of 238 and promised to do better this year. The refreshments started to "roll" in so the meeting was adjourned at 11.10 P.M.

—HAROLD B. F. LONERGAN.

LOS ANGELES
(Southern California Chapter)
Commander: Volney Gilson

Memorial Day was observed by members of the YD Club of Southern California by participation in the exercises of the day held in memory of comrades who have passed on.

Our group assembled with colors to march in the parade to the National Military Home cemetery at Sawtelle where Chaplain Roberts conducted a private service attended by veterans of Combat Division Associations. In the afternoon we took part in the ceremonies at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

On Sunday, May 25 several members attended the annual Memorial Services held at the First Presbyterian Church by the pastor, Rev. Stanley Roberts, Chaplain of the 5th Division.

We also sent a wreath to the Washington Chapter, to be placed on the grave of General Edwards at Arlington National Cemetery in memory of all departed YD comrades.

Commander VOLNEY GILSON was unable to attend the various services with us, being confined to his home following a leg operation.

PHILADELPHIA
Commander: W. A. Forsythe
17th at Tioga, Philadelphia, Pa.
Secretary: Louis Wintner
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Sorry we could not attend your convention, but on June 6th we had our own meeting and were with you in spirit. The meeting was attended by Com. FORSYTH, ERNEST BATES, GEORGE HUDSON, ALFRED MEYEROWITZ, HARVEY ELLIS, PHIL MALONEY, DON HILDRETH, CLAUDE GAUNTT and LOUIS WINTNER.

Our Treasurer AL MEYEROWITZ reports $20.00 on hand which is pretty good for our second meeting.

Commander FORSYTHE is donating one dozen pairs of ladies silk stockings every month to be raffled off among the members at 25c a chance and the proceeds to go to the treasury. Well it's a pleasure to write about this as I was the lucky one to be pulled out of the hat, (that is my name). We really had a swell meeting and much was accomplished.

As you've probably heard we are running a banquet for YD men when the V.F.W. holds their Encampment in Phila., Aug. 24-29.

Here is the set-up: Banquet, Wed., Aug. 27th, 6 P. M. Tickets $1.65. Swell meal and good entertainment. The affair strictly YD. We would like all YD men and their wives or sweethearts who are contemplating being in Phila. for the V.F.W. Encampment to attend our Banquet, as it will be a great thrill for them to meet in a strange city. Through the efforts of ERNEST T. BATES space has been donated to us in the lobby of the Belleview Stratford Hotel for the purpose of registering all YD men.

Anyone intending to make this Banquet can help us immensely by letting me know as soon as possible. — LOUIS WINTNER, Secretary, Phila. Chapter, Y.D.V.A., 911 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Phila., Pa.

Mr. AUSTIN APPLEBY and GUY WATTS will be present as I hope our new Commander. Please give us all the publicity you can as we want to give the boys a good time and that can only be done by having a good attendance.

Our spark plug and publicity man, BATES, is doing a good job for us. He has all the details for the Banquet already taken care of. Place hired, entertainment, etc. Signs and tickets taken care of by PHIL MALONEY and HARVEY ELLIS. I'll be at the Belleview Stratford Hotel day and night to register the boys.

The boys are really in earnest about keeping this Chapter alive.

I know that space in June DOINGS will be at a premium due to the Convention news but as we are starting over and doing a good job you can help keep the ball a-rolling by giving us plenty of publicity until this banquet is over.

P.S. The Imhof Post Am. Legion has donated us a room free of charge for all our meetings. The YD is doing pretty good for itself down here. Three of us have been elected as delegates to the State of Pa. Convention of the Military Order Purple Heart, DON HILDRETH, AL MEYEROWITZ and LOUIS WINTNER. HILDRETH is being put up for State Commander and MEYEROWITZ as State Finance Officer. — LOUIS WINTNER.

101st INFANTRY ITEMS

Here and there with the 101st . . . South shore unit of old K Co. held a meeting at Rockland on June 3 . . . Bill Cole was elected President for the coming year and Doc Quilty was appointed by Bill to serve as Sec.-Treas. . . . They are having a big banquet and reunion on Saturday July 26, at the Cushing House at Hingham . . . This is a delightful spot during the summer and it is an ideal place to hold a reunion . . . Bill Cole would like to see some of the Clinton boys at this banquet . . . Don't forget the date . . . Saturday, July 26, and by all indications it promises to be a bang-up time . . . "Hoxie" Davidson (K Co.) of the Weymouth Police Dept. has been turning out regular for K Co. meetings and boy what a story teller he is . . . K Co. South Shore Unit, looks forward to a big year and you fellows of K who have been staying away from these meetings are missing a lot of good times and good fellowship . . . Some of the boys are turning out who have been under cover for years.

Jimmie Cresswell (K Co.) has made a government job and at present he is in Washington . . . Good luck to you, Jimmie . . . Col. John J. Barry (Iron Battalion) has been over to the Soldiers Home for a checkup and he tells me they found him 100%. The Colonel has reached his 74th year and looks right in the pink . . . "Soup" MacDonald (K Co.) has a big position at Fore River . . . If any of youse guys know anything about pipe fitting, get in touch with Bill Cole who will contact "Soup" and I am pretty sure you will be put to work in short order . . . Dan Brennan (M Co.) recently put on a swell show for the boys of the Legion Post in Randolph . . . He has been a hard worker and deserves the support of every YD man for his coming election to the State Dept. of the American Legion . . . A truly great fellow.

Had a card from Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Barter (H Co.) who are over in New York celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary . . . The first 30 years are the hardest Charlie . . .

A large delegation from B Co. attended the unveiling of the Joseph P. Golden monument on June 15, in Allston . . . Mayor Tobin was the speaker at the dedication . . . Captain George Irving who commanded B Co. delivered the eulogy . . . Joe Golden who served with B Co. died in 1929 as a result of wounds received just before the Armistice of 1918 . . . Lt. Col. Patrick F. O'Brian (H Co.) retired, head of the former Massachusetts Military Academy, was the principal speaker at the annual Night Before banquet of the Bunker Hill Council, K of C. . . . A large crowd heard him give some of the reminiscences of his military career, which included the time he commanded H Company in France . . . Members of E Co. attended in large numbers at the funeral of Edward M. Norton (E Co.) who died June 19 at Medford . . . It was only a short time ago, Eddie was a visitor at your reporter's house where we discussed the annual Memorial mass of the Iron Battalion which will take place at Medford this year . . . Fr. Osias Boucher has started on his annual vacation trip by automobile . . . Before his return he hopes to be able to visit most all the western states . . . Just a little jaunt for the Padre.

Leon Mayer (F Co.) is commander of the Newton Post, A. L. . . . Sebastian Selvitelli (E Co.) was married to Mary H. Murphy on Saturday, June 28 . . . After a motor trip to Atlantic City, they will reside on Wellington road, Medford.

— Jim Powers.

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HUGH MCDERMOTT is reported to have passed away on June 17th. No company or details given.

FRANK FORBES, Headquarters Co., 101st Infantry, died on May 19th at the Chelsea Naval Hospital. Burial was at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Stoneham, Mass.

EDWARD J. HOGAN, 46, I Co., 104th Infantry, died at Mass. General Hospital sometime in June. He was born in Newburyport, Mass., and served for 16 years with the Lynn Fire Dept. Burial was in Lynn, Mass.

HARRY W. BUGBEE, our P. N. Historian, served as an honorary bearer at the funeral services for the mother of U. S. Senator Warren R. Austin at St. Albans, Vt., on June 14th.

FOSTER COUSENS, Battery A, 101st F. A., died at Newton, Mass. recently. No details were given.

WALTER TIERNEY, of Hamden, Conn., is reported to be dead although no details are available.

ELMER D. GRIFFITHS, I Co., 103rd Infantry, died recently at his home in Westbrook, (Me.?) He was twice wounded in action while serving with our division. Interment was in St. Hyacinthe Cemetery.

DAVID B. WEDEN, Co. B, 102nd Machine Gun Bat'n., died at the Newton Hospital suddenly in June. He was a sergeant of B Co., and public relations officer of the Mass. Selective Service Board. He was appointed to the Adj. General's staff in 1915 and attained a majority.

Dr. D. J. BOLAND, 63, 101st Med., died at St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, recently. Burial was in St. John's, Worcester.

GEORGE BEAN, Battery A, 102nd F.A., died on May 29th at Chelsea Naval Hospital. Interment was at Linwood Cemetery, Haverhill, Mass., with full military honors by Haverhill Chapter.

MELBERT B. CARY, JR., captain of Bat. F, 103rd F. A., died at Memorial Hospital, N. Y., May 29, after a brief illness. He was a nationally known expert on type faces and wrote several authoritative books on the subject. President of American Institute of Graphic Arts. Place of burial not given.

FRANK J. DOLAN, 101st Inf., died suddenly of injuries received in a fall. No date was given.

We have a report of the death of EDMUND F. SOUTHERTON of West Haven, Conn. No details given.

A wire from the New York Chapter reveals that LAWRENCE MCGRATH, M Co., 102nd Infantry, died of cancer of the throat at Bronx No. 81 Hospital on April 25th.

JOSEPH B. HANERFELD, 102nd Machine Gun Co., died on May 18 at Bronx Hospital, N. Y. C. New York Chapter attended in a body and accompanied our comrade to his last resting place.

ALTON S. CARTER, 101st Supply Train, died at Cambridge, Mass. No further details given.

WILLIAM C. RICHARDS, Co. D, 102nd Infantry, died on June 13 at U. S. Veterans Hospital at Newington, Conn. He was a member of New Haven Chapter and had been ill for some time, but his death came as a shock to his comrades. Interment was in St. Lawrence Cemetery, New Haven, and was attended by the entire New Haven Chapter.

THOMAS F. BURKE, Co. H, 101 Infantry, died on March 25 at Glendale, Calif.

GEORGE LINCOLN PRESCOTT, old Co. I, Sixth Regt., M.V.M., who went overseas with an advance unit of the YD, died recently at his home in Concord, Mass. He was a descendant of Dr. Samuel Prescott who relayed the message, "The British are coming". Burial was in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, Concord.

PERCY DORMAN, Co. B, 102nd Infantry, was found dead on the street in New Haven, Conn., May 8, due to a heart attack. New Haven Chapter attended the service and headed by Commander FRED HIRSCH, acted as pall bearers.

HERBERT E. WILLIAMS, 101st Inf., F Co., died recently at Dorchester, Mass.

Major SLATER WASHBURN, formerly of Battery C, 101st F. A., died suddenly at Washington, D. C., on July 12th. SLATER had been on active service with the Marine Corps for the past three years. First at the Navy Yard in Charlestown, Mass., and for the past year at Washington. He served as a Corporal in C Battery and was on the Staff of the 26th Division as a Lieut. Colonel after the Division was reorganized on return from overseas. He served for eight years in the Massachusetts Legislature. He had been a member of the Boston YD Club since 1920. Burial at Fort Myers, Virginia.

EUGENE MCSWEENEY, former Sergeant of K Co., 101st Infantry, died at the Adams Hospital, Chelsea Soldiers Home, on July 11th.

Comrades who send in obituary notices are requested to write date on newspaper clippings and also company in which the deceased comrade served if known.

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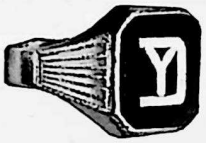

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Lynn	Every Tuesday
Marlboro	2nd Wednesday
Milford	3rd Wednesday
New Bedford	2nd Tuesday
Reading	2nd and 4th Thursday
Salem	Every Friday
Springfield	1st and 3rd Friday
Worcester	1st and 3rd Thursday
NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Manchester	2nd Wednesday
CONNECTICUT	
State Department	2nd Sunday
Bridgeport	2nd and 4th Monday
Bristol	2nd Friday
Hartford	1st Monday
Manchester	2nd Tuesday
Meriden	2nd Monday
Middletown	Kolinsky Dugout
New Britain	1st and 3rd Tuesday
New Haven	2nd and 4th Thursday
New London	2nd and 4th Friday
Norwalk	3rd Friday
Stamford	1st Monday
Terryville	1st Monday
Torrington	1st Tuesday
Valley	2nd and 4th Thursday
Wallingford	2nd Tuesday
Waterbury	1st and 3rd Friday
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Providence	3rd Thursday
VERMONT	
Brattleboro	2nd Thursday
Rutland	2nd Thursday
Washington	Last Friday